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(54) **GALLERY OPERATIONS FOR A DEVICE IN LANDSCAPE MODE**

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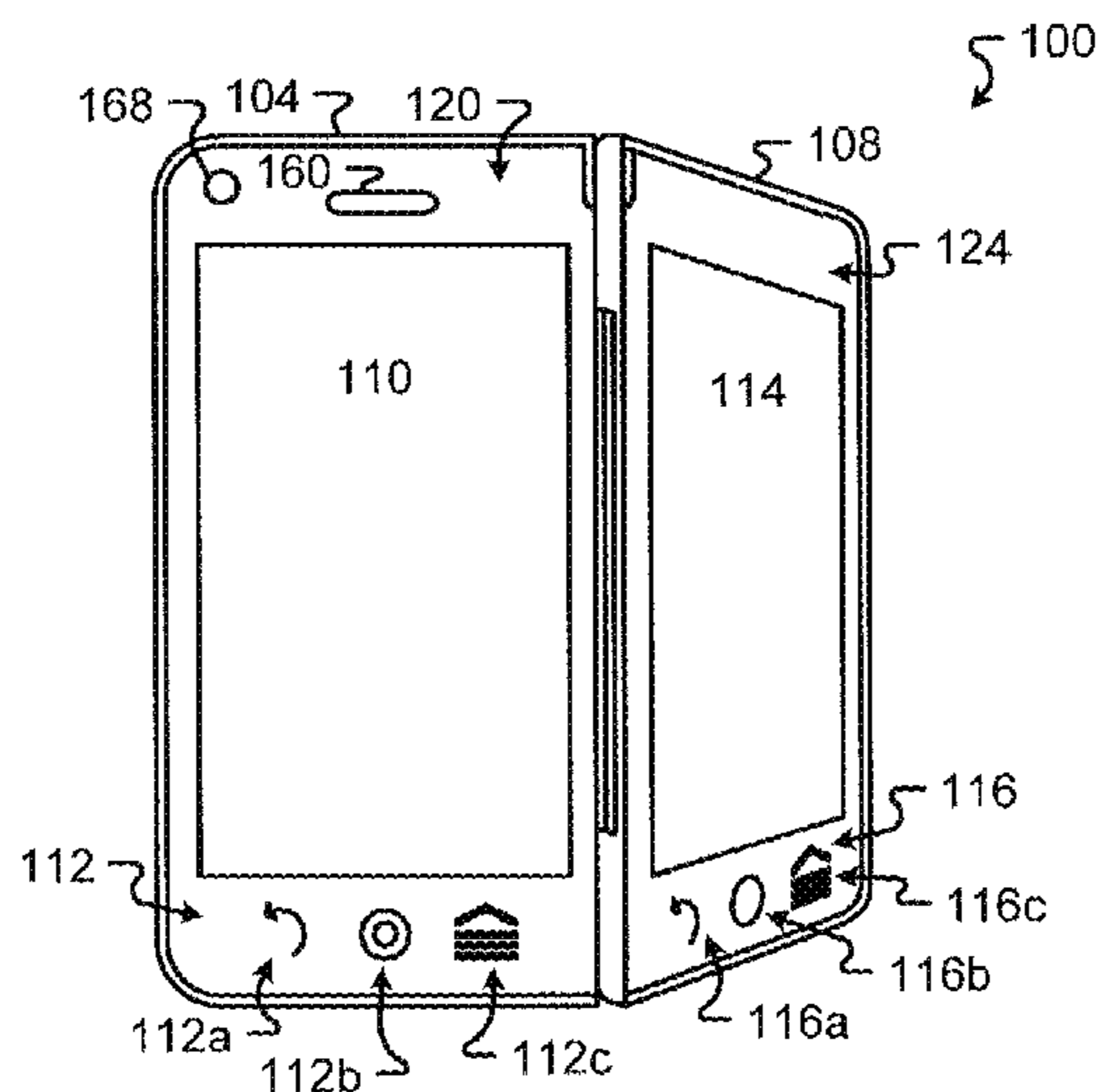
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Methods and devices for selectively presenting a user interface in a dual screen device. More particularly, the method includes providing a gallery for the dual screen device. The gallery can present one or more images in a user interface. The gallery user interface can adapt to changes in the device configuration. Further, the gallery can display images or videos in the various configurations.

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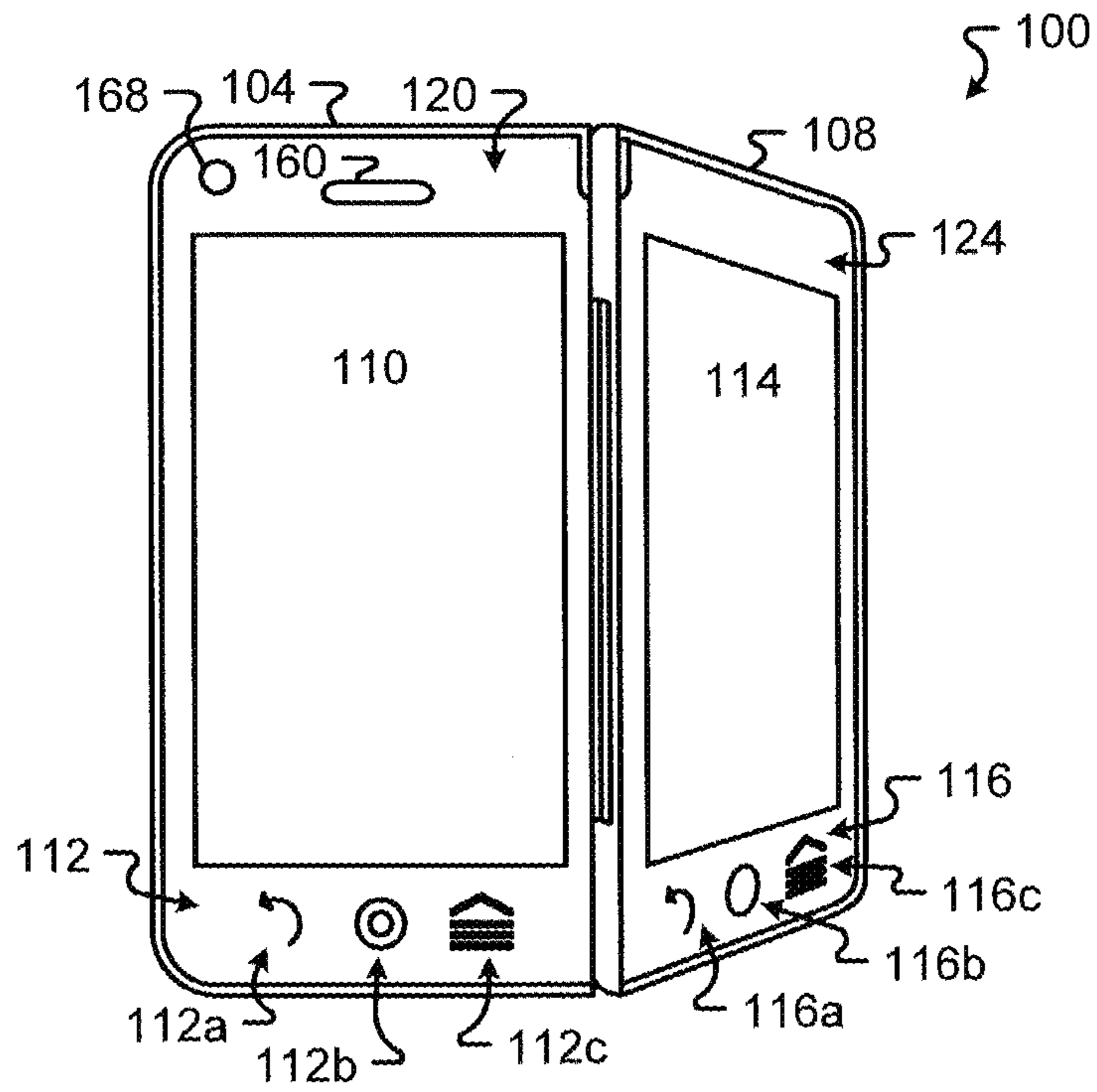


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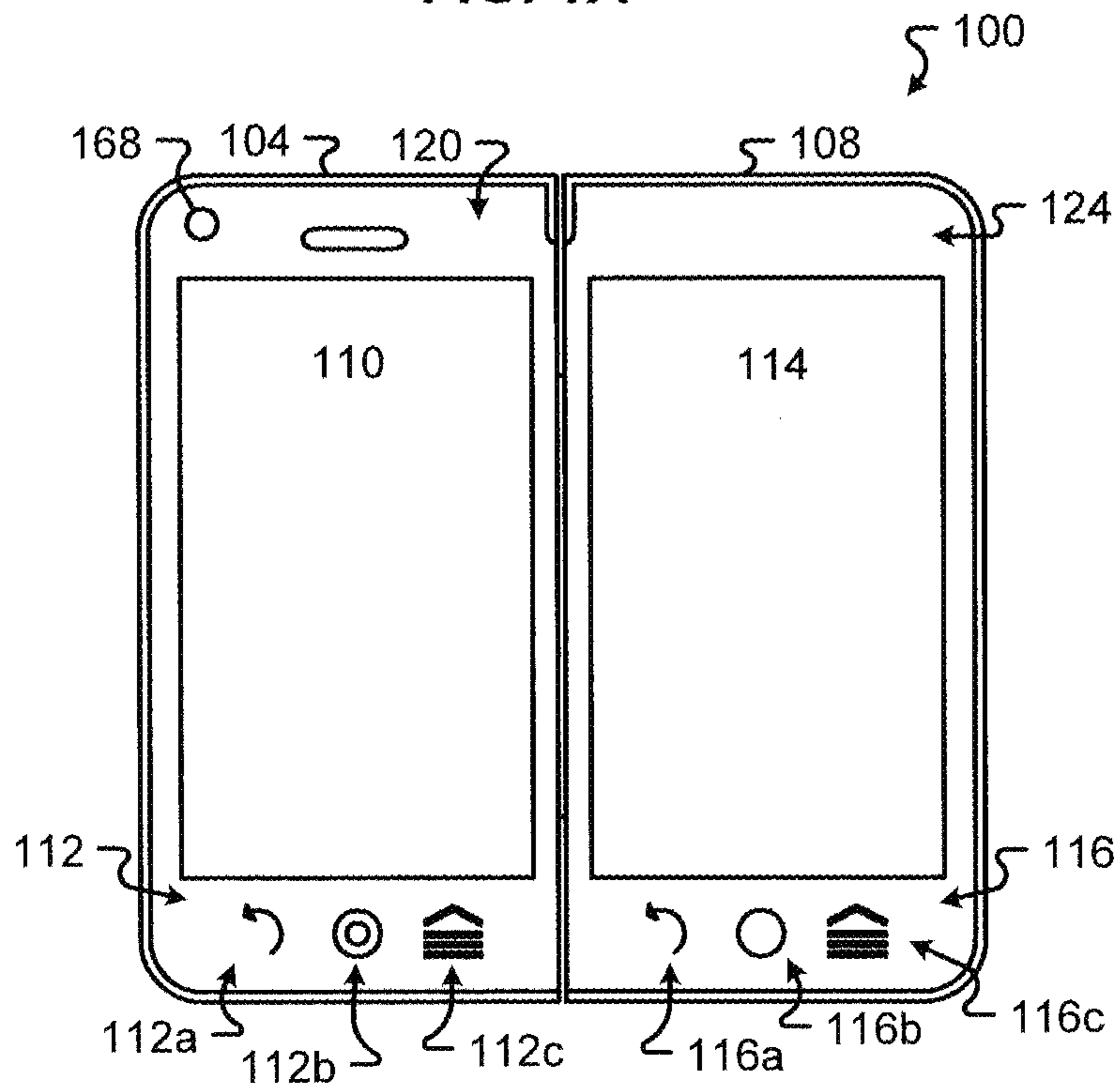


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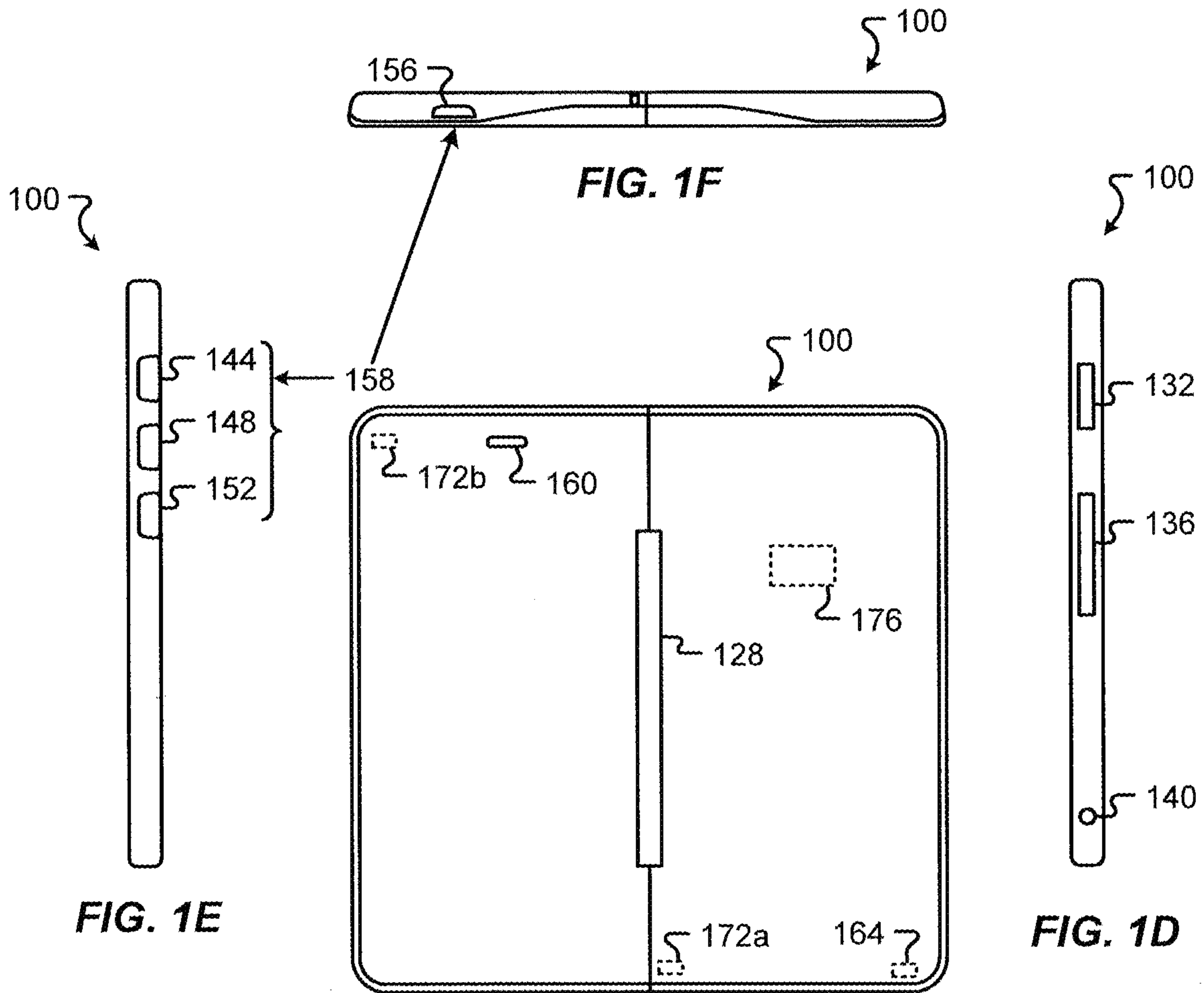


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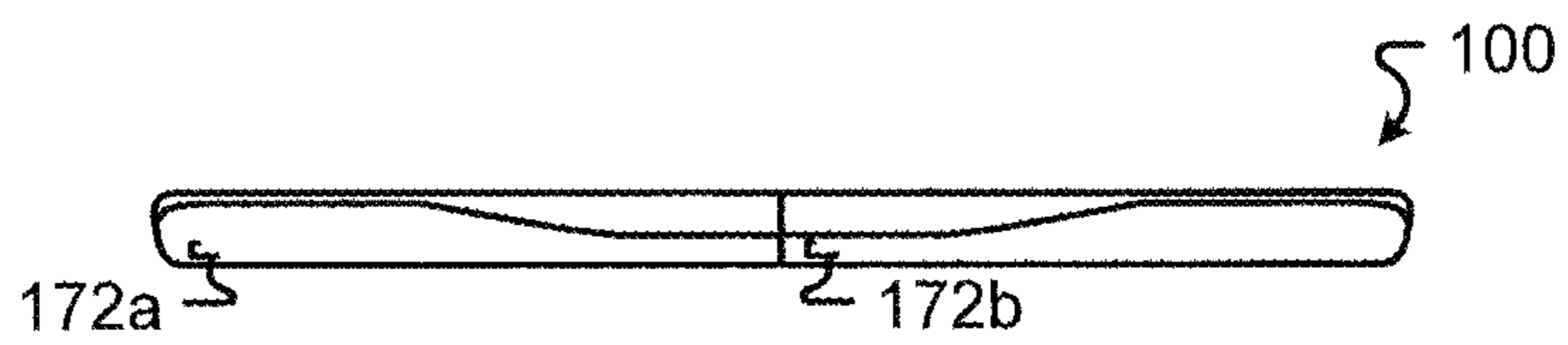


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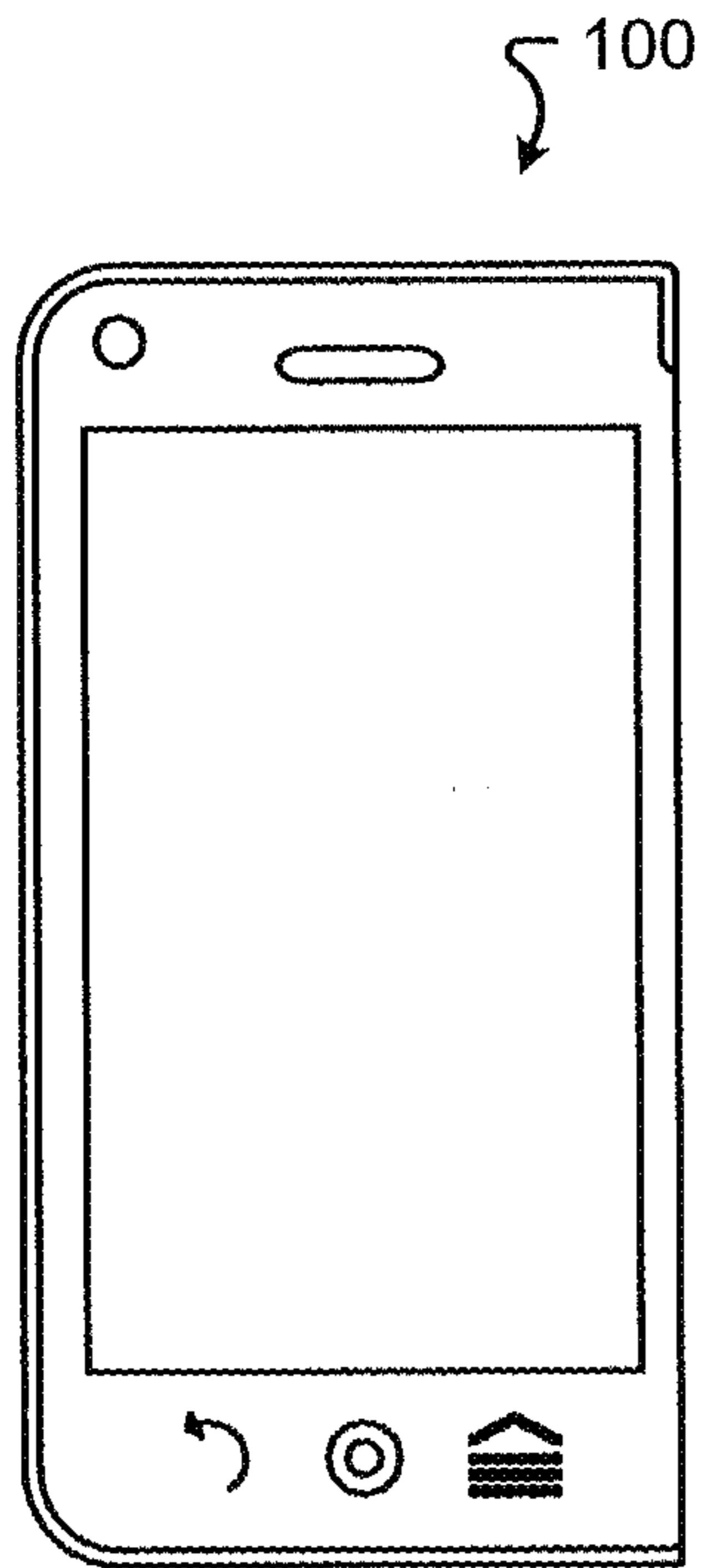


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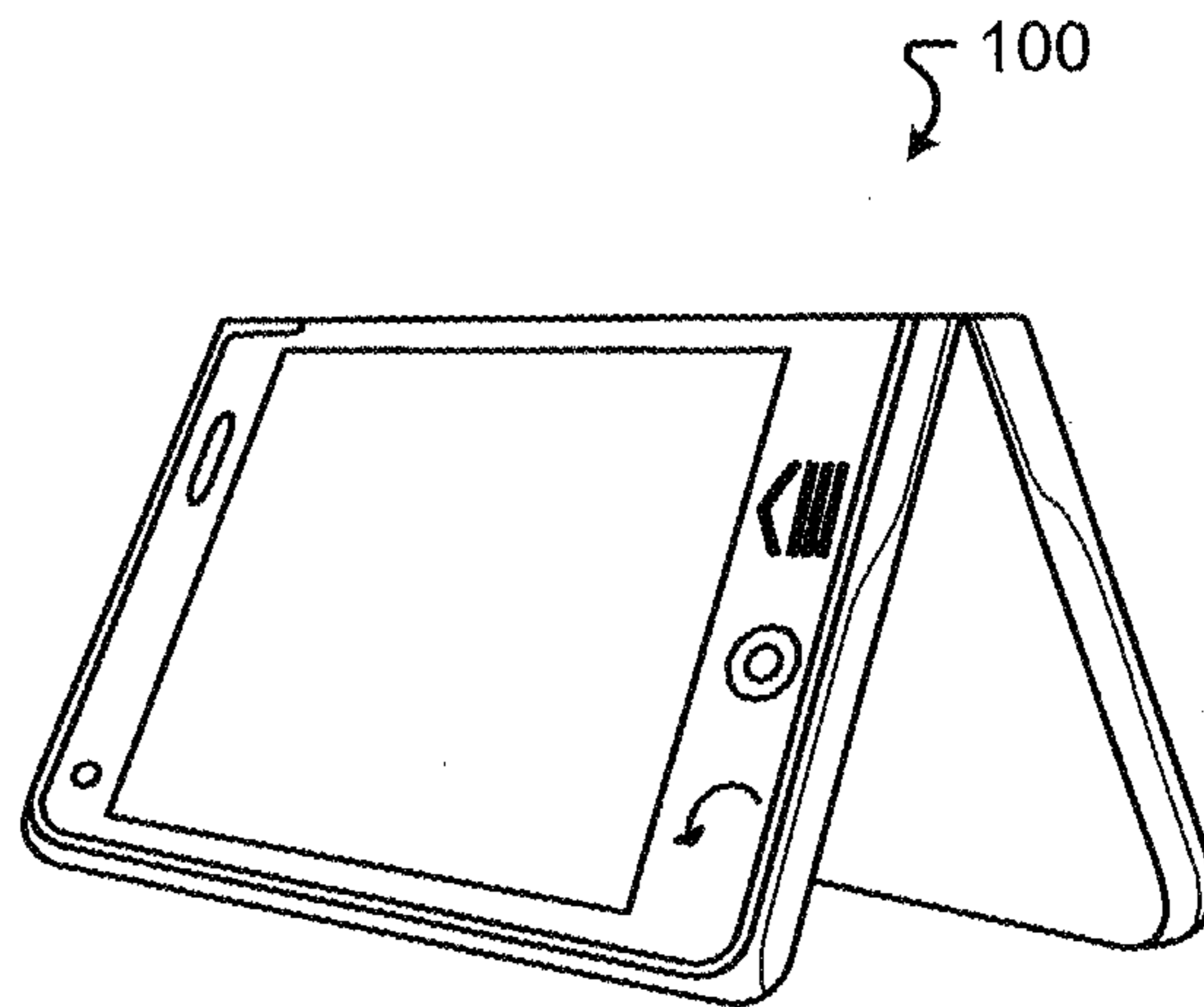


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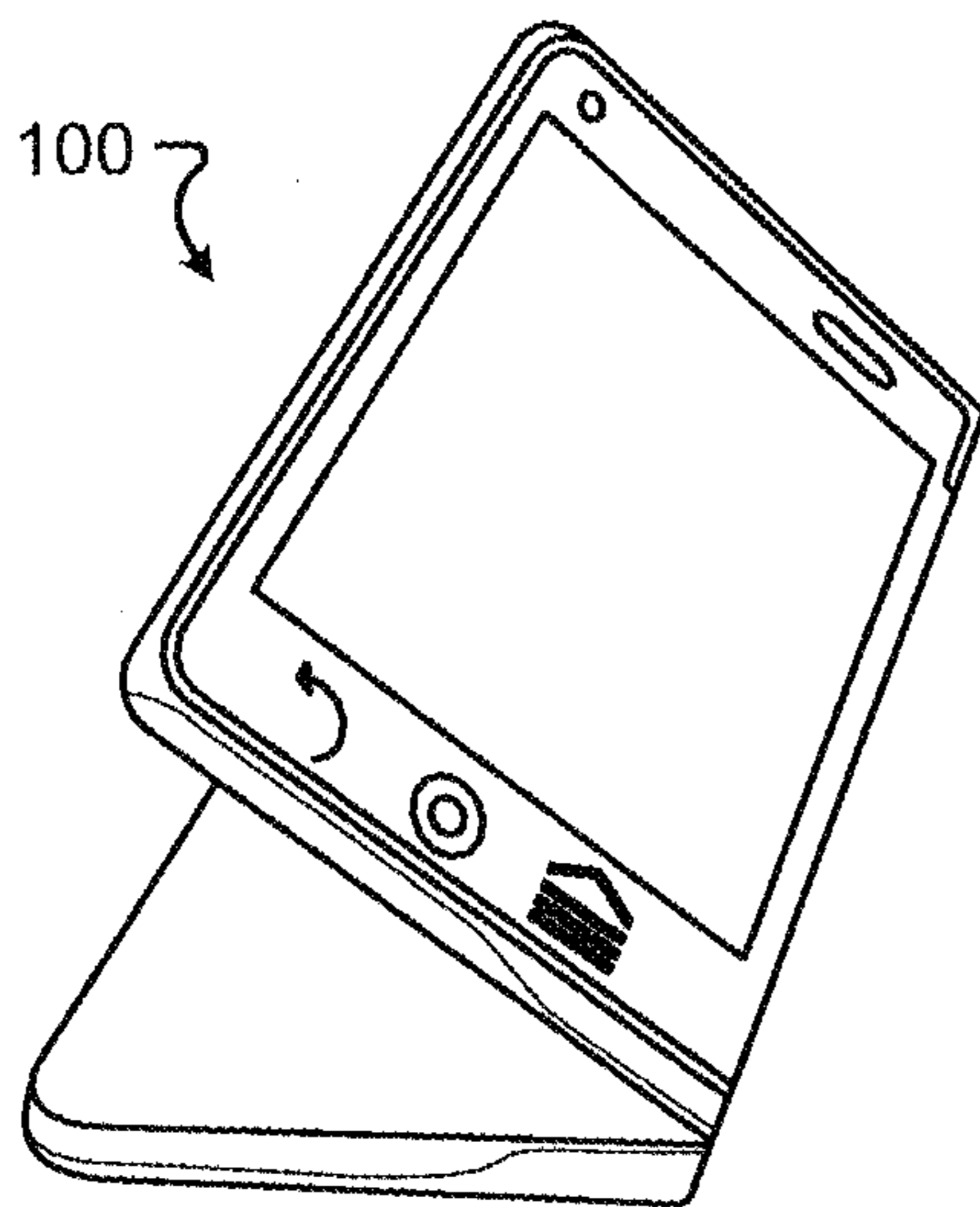


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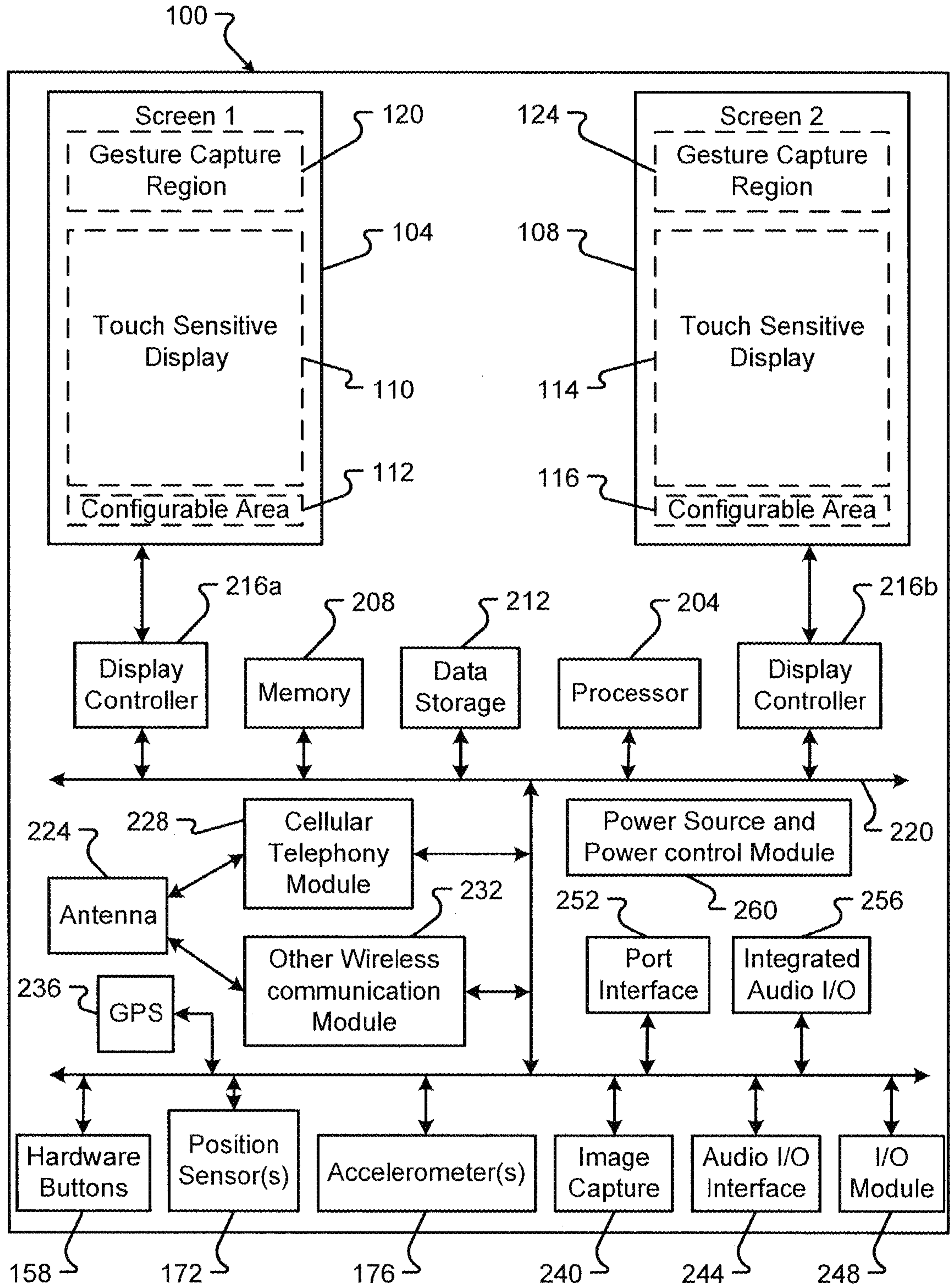


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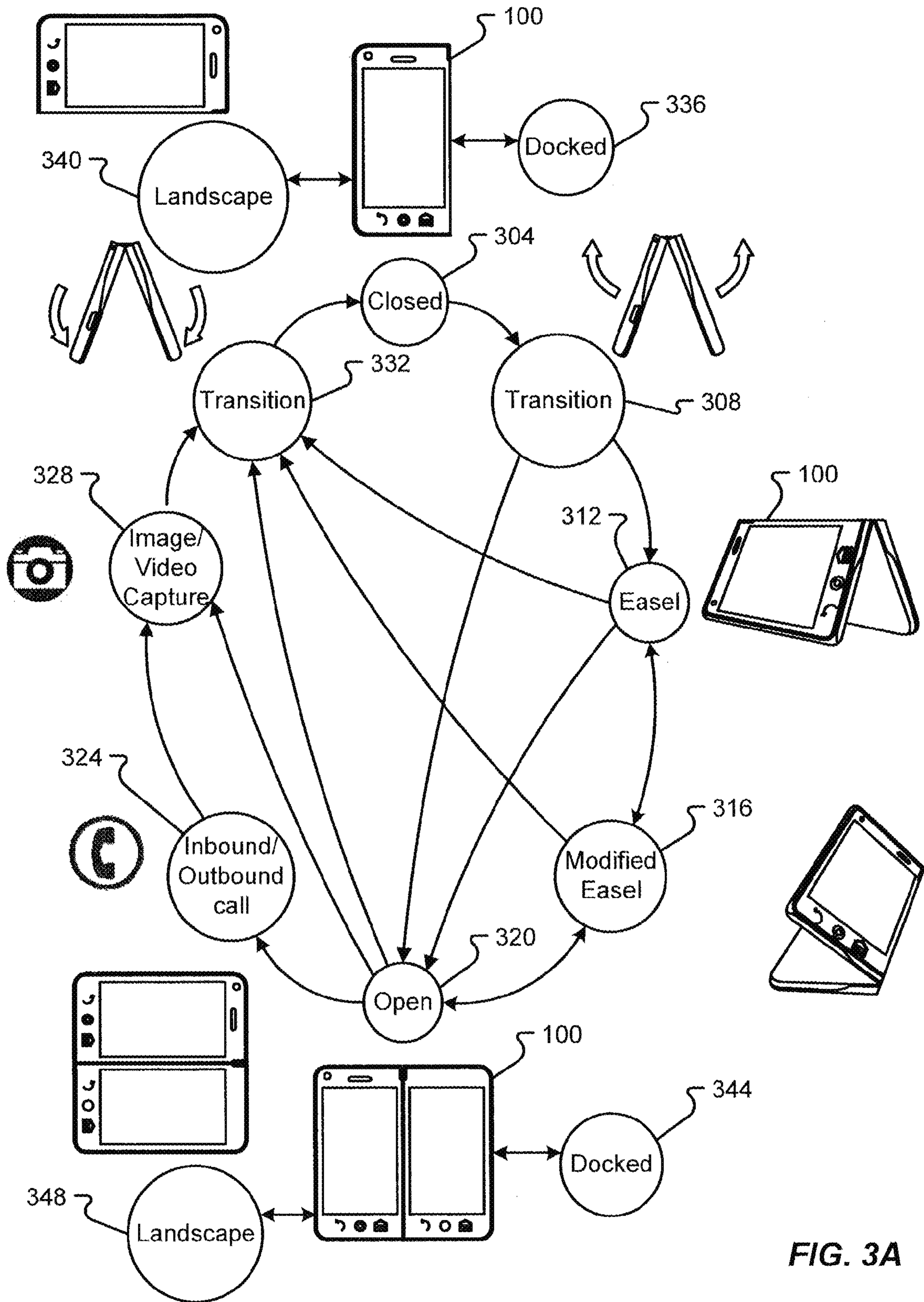


FIG. 3A

| | | PORTRAIT | | | | | LANDSCAPE | | | | | | | |
|-----|-----|----------------|----------------|-------|----------------|-------|---------------|------|--------|-------|----------------|-------|---------------|---|
| | | OPEN | CLOSED | EASEL | MODIFIED EASEL | PHONE | IMAGE / VIDEO | OPEN | CLOSED | EASEL | MODIFIED EASEL | PHONE | IMAGE / VIDEO | |
| 376 | 360 | OPEN | X | HT | HT | P | I | AT | HAT | HAT | HAT | P | I | |
| | | CLOSED | HT | X | HAT | P | I | HAT | AT | HAT | HAT | P | I | |
| | | EASEL | HT | HT | X | P | I | HAT | HAT | HAT | HAT | P | I | |
| | | PHONE | HT | X | HT | X | I | HAT | HAT | HAT | HAT | X | I | |
| | | IMAGE / VIDEO | HT | HT | HT | X | X | X | HAT | HAT | HAT | X | HAT | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 364 | 368 | OPEN | AT | HAT | HAT | P | I | X | HT | HAT | HAT | P | I | |
| | | CLOSED | HAT | AT | HAT | P | I | HT | X | HAT | HAT | P | I | |
| | | EASEL | HAT | HAT | HAT | P | I | HT | HT | X | HAT | P | I | |
| | | MODIFIED EASEL | HAT | HAT | HAT | P | I | HT | HT | HAT | X | P | I | |
| | | IMAGE / VIDEO | HAT | HAT | HAT | HAT | HAT | AT | HT | HT | HT | HAT | P | X |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 372 | | DOCKED | DOCKING SIGNAL | | | | | | | | | | | |

Key:
 H - Hall Effect Sensor(s)
 a - accelerometer(s)
 T - Timer
 P - communications Trigger
 I - Image / Video capture Request

FIG. 3B

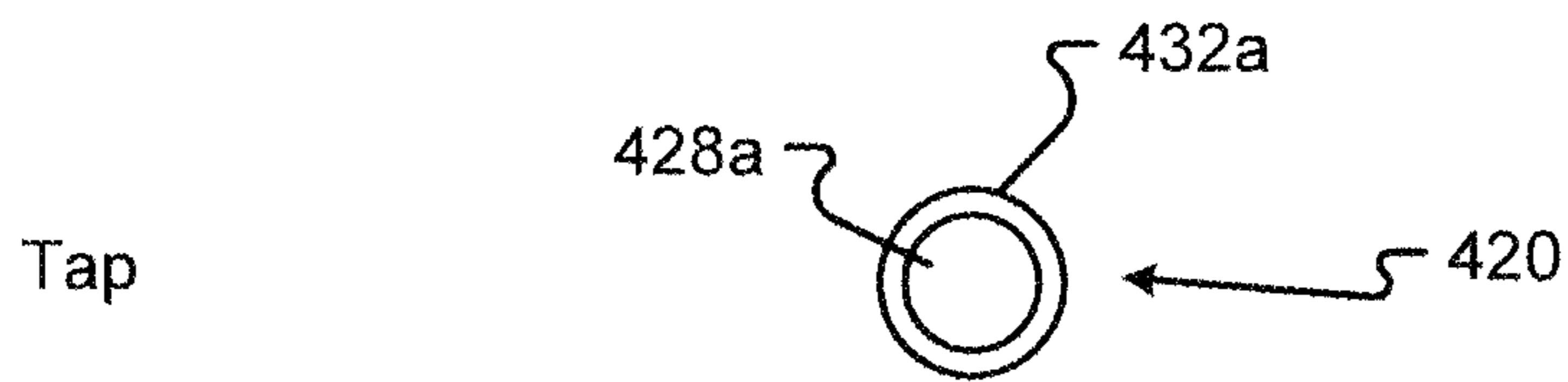


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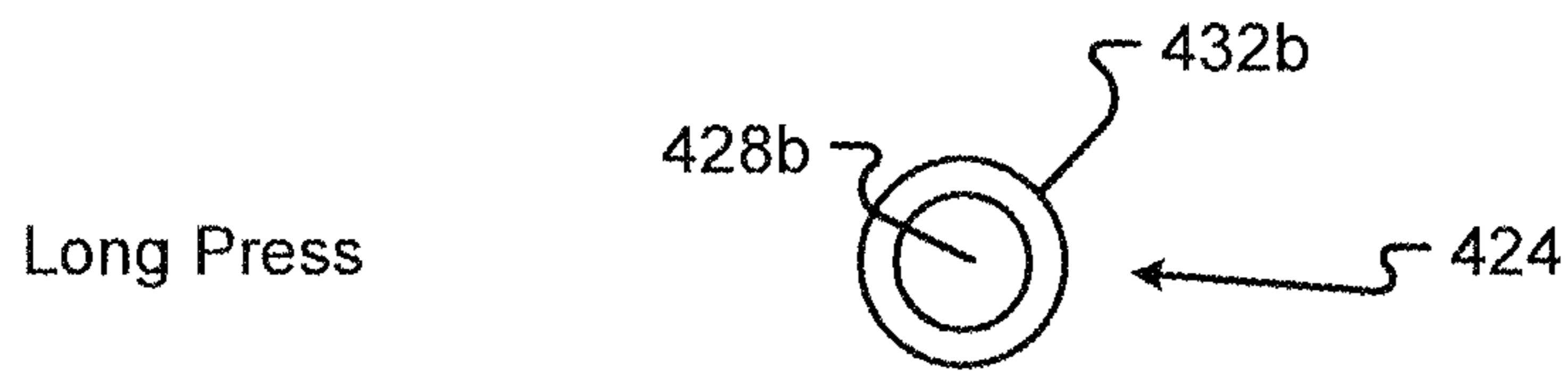


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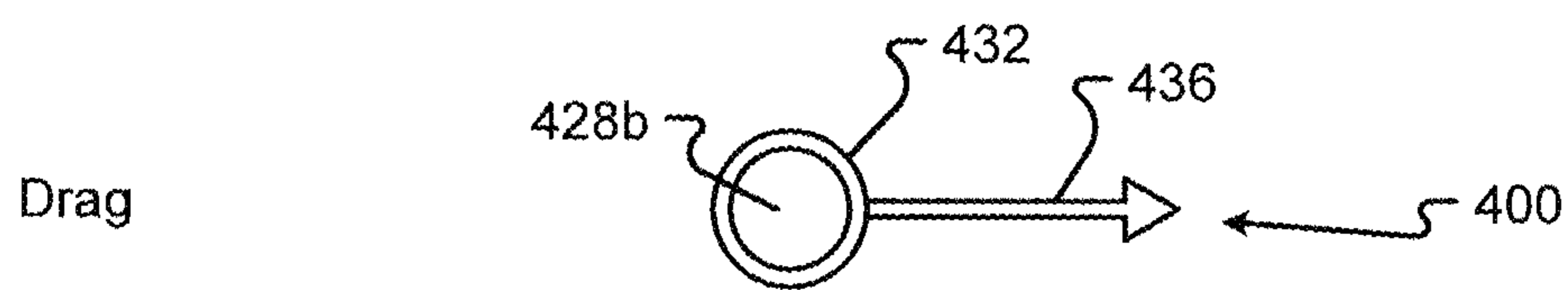


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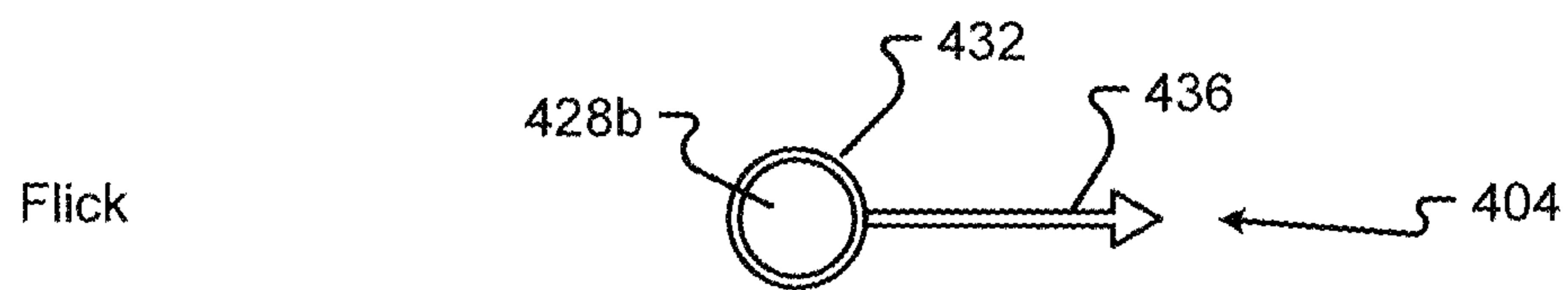


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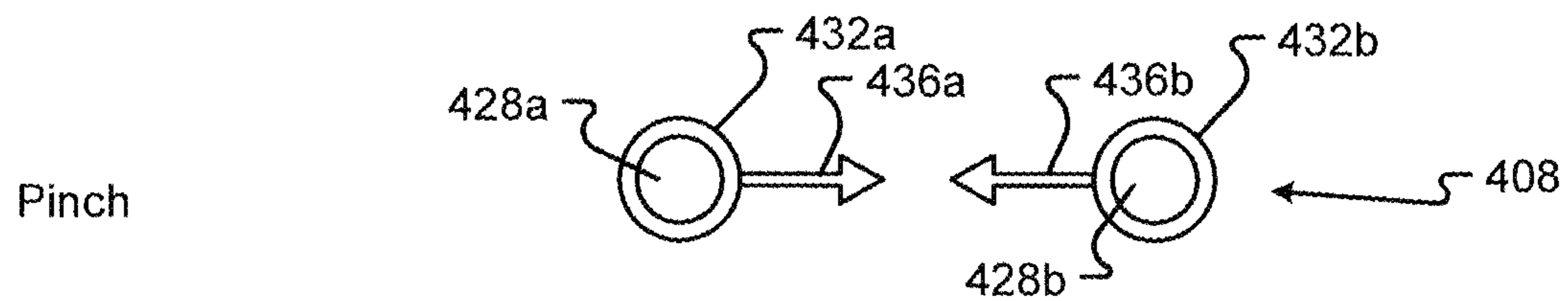


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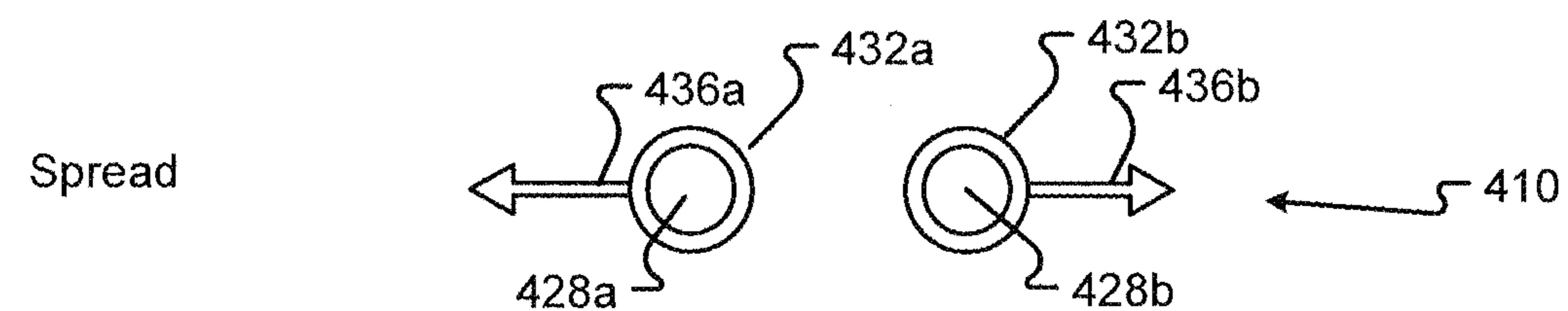


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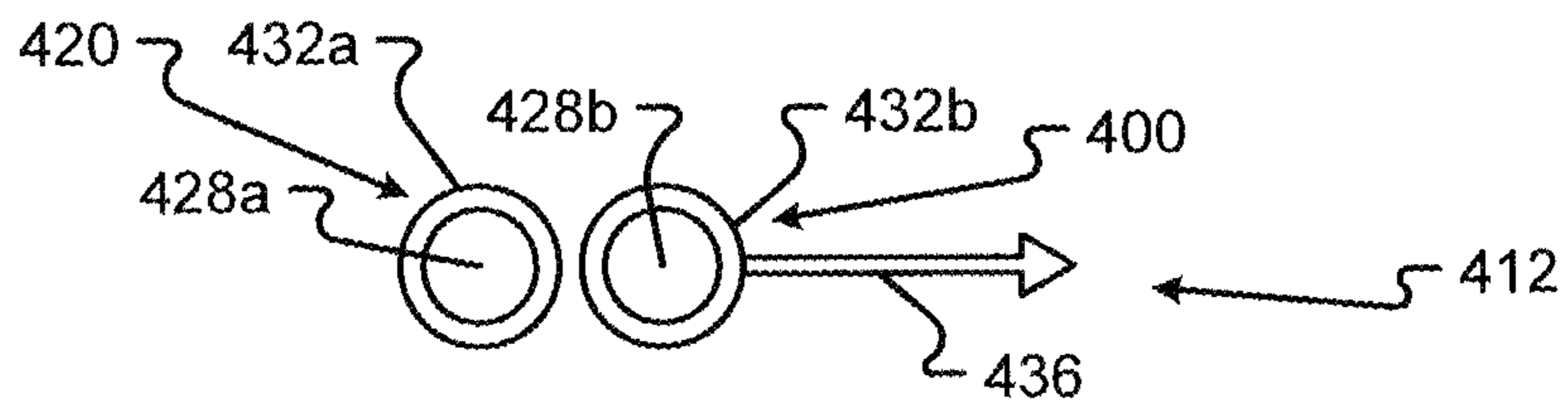


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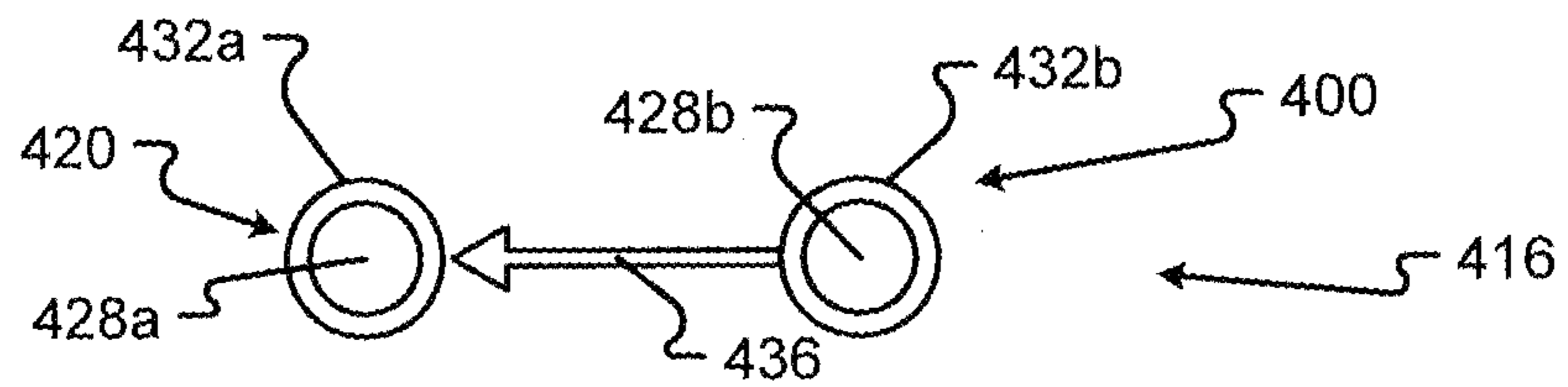
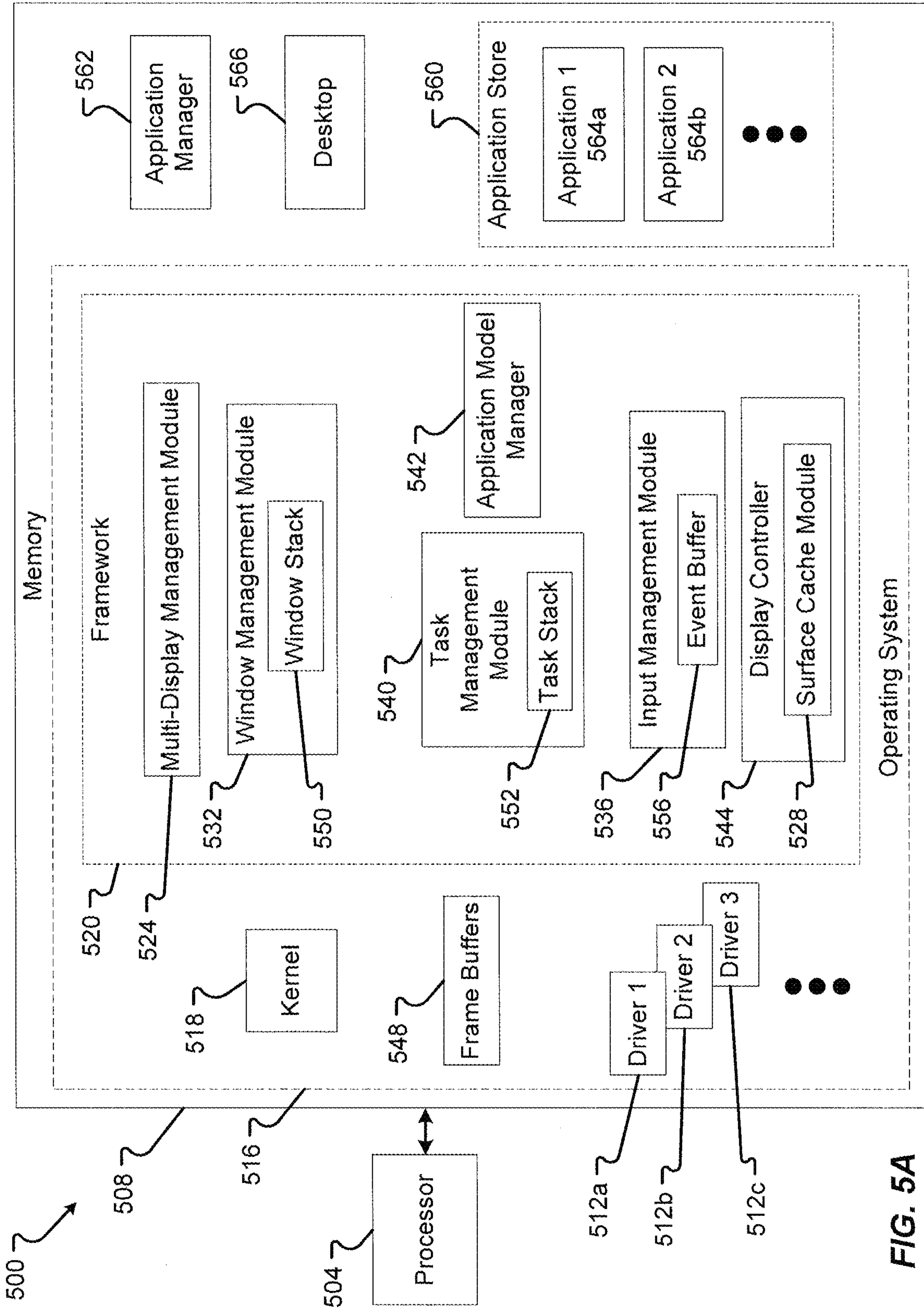


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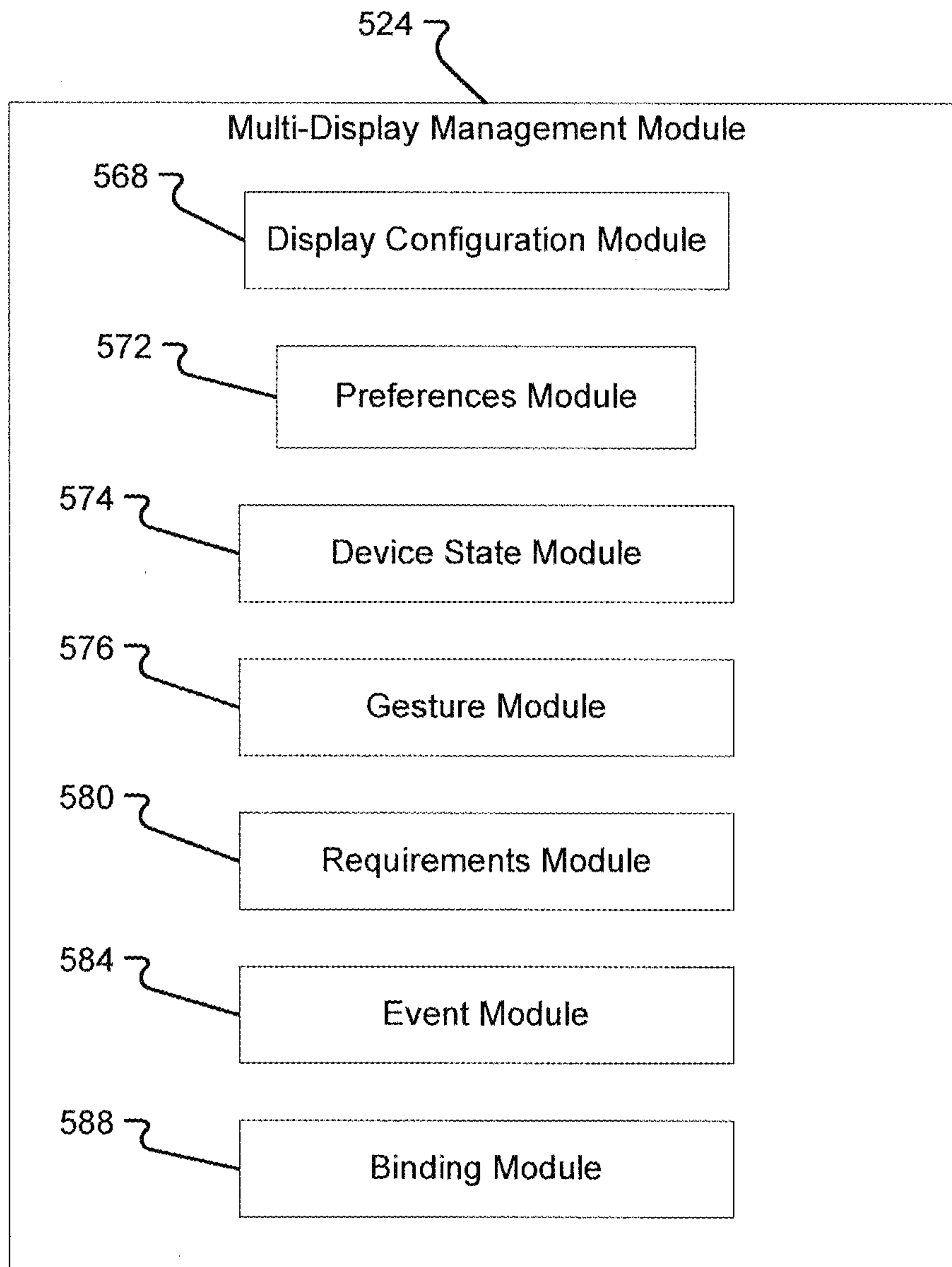


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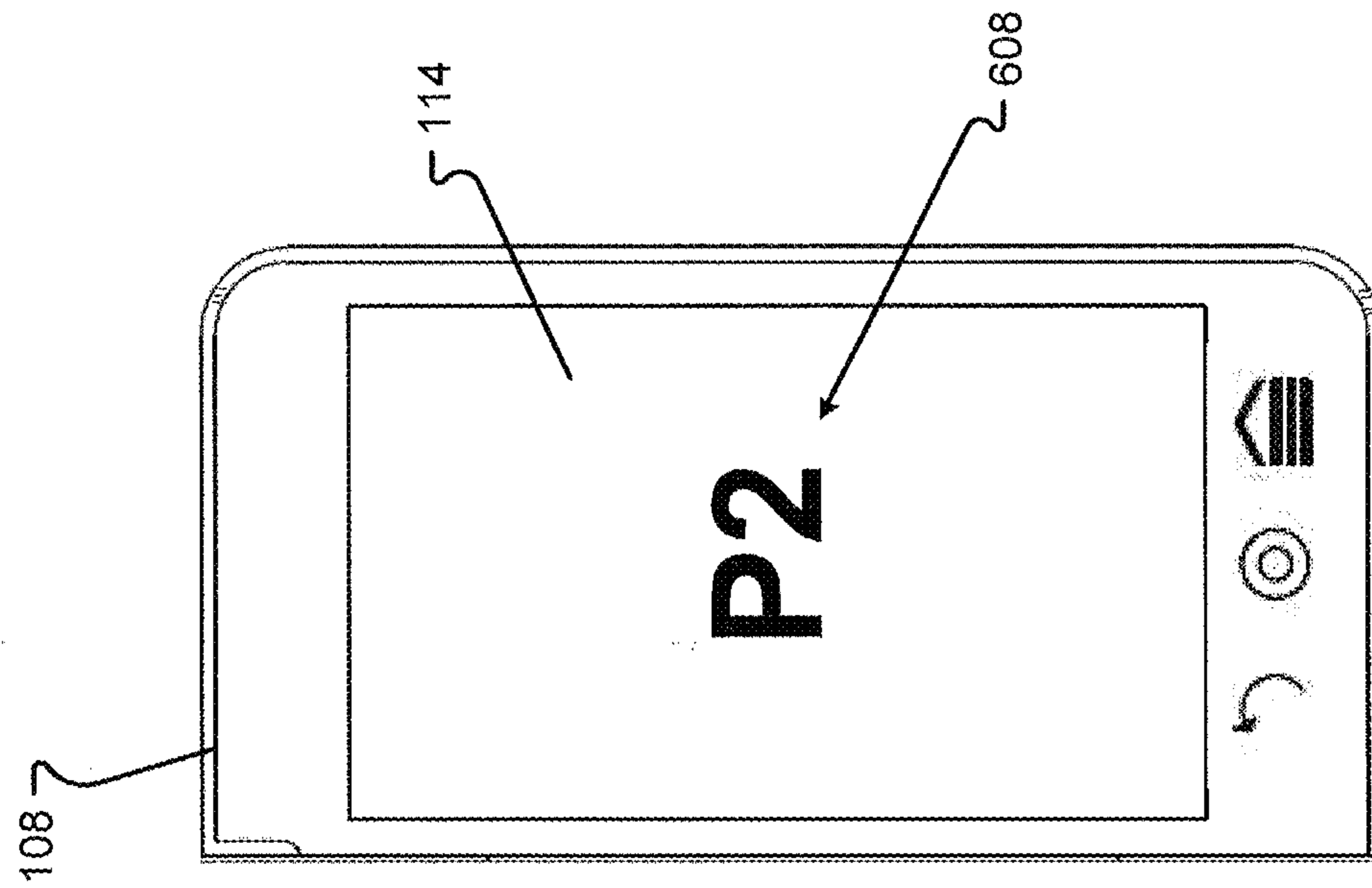


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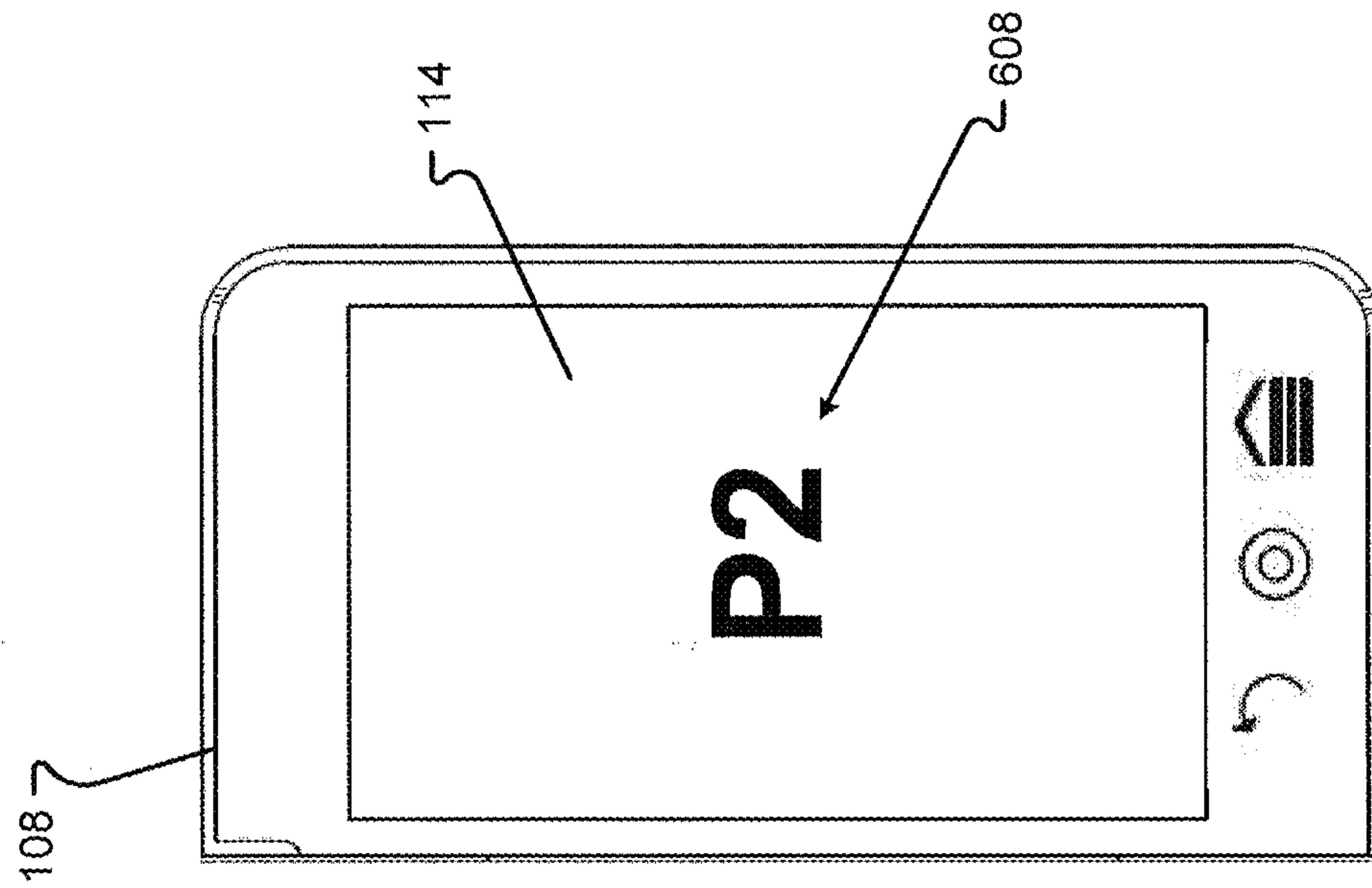


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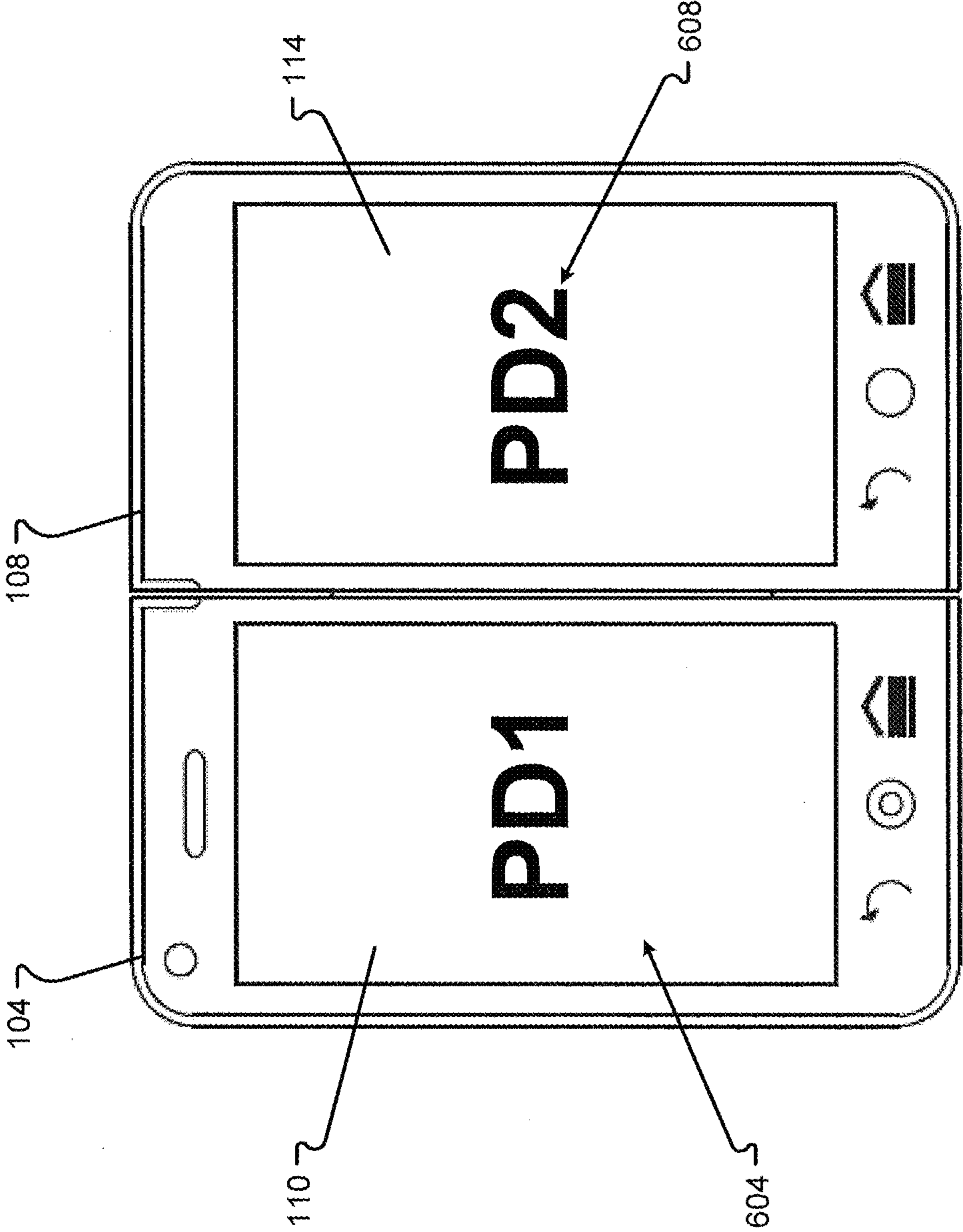


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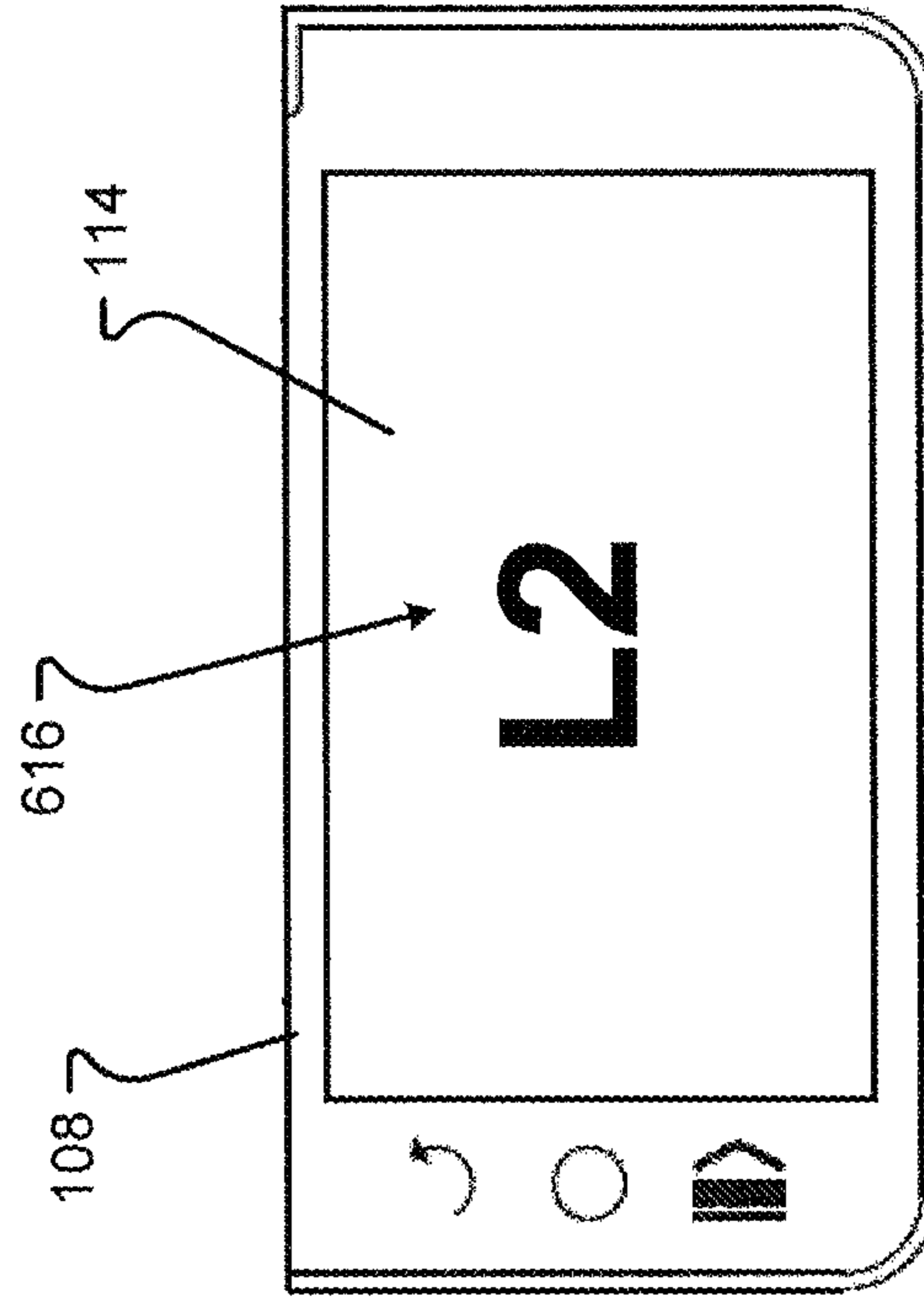


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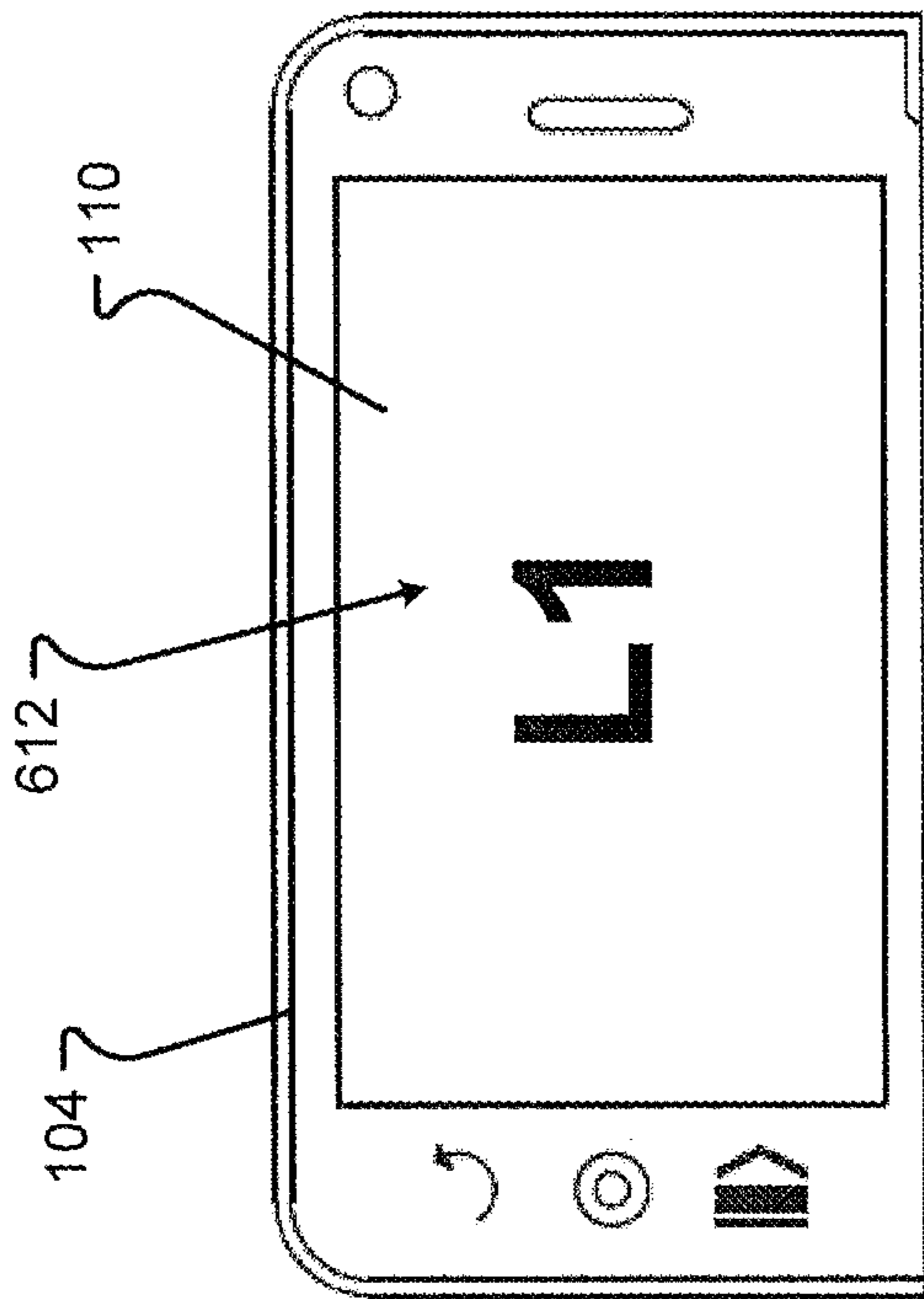


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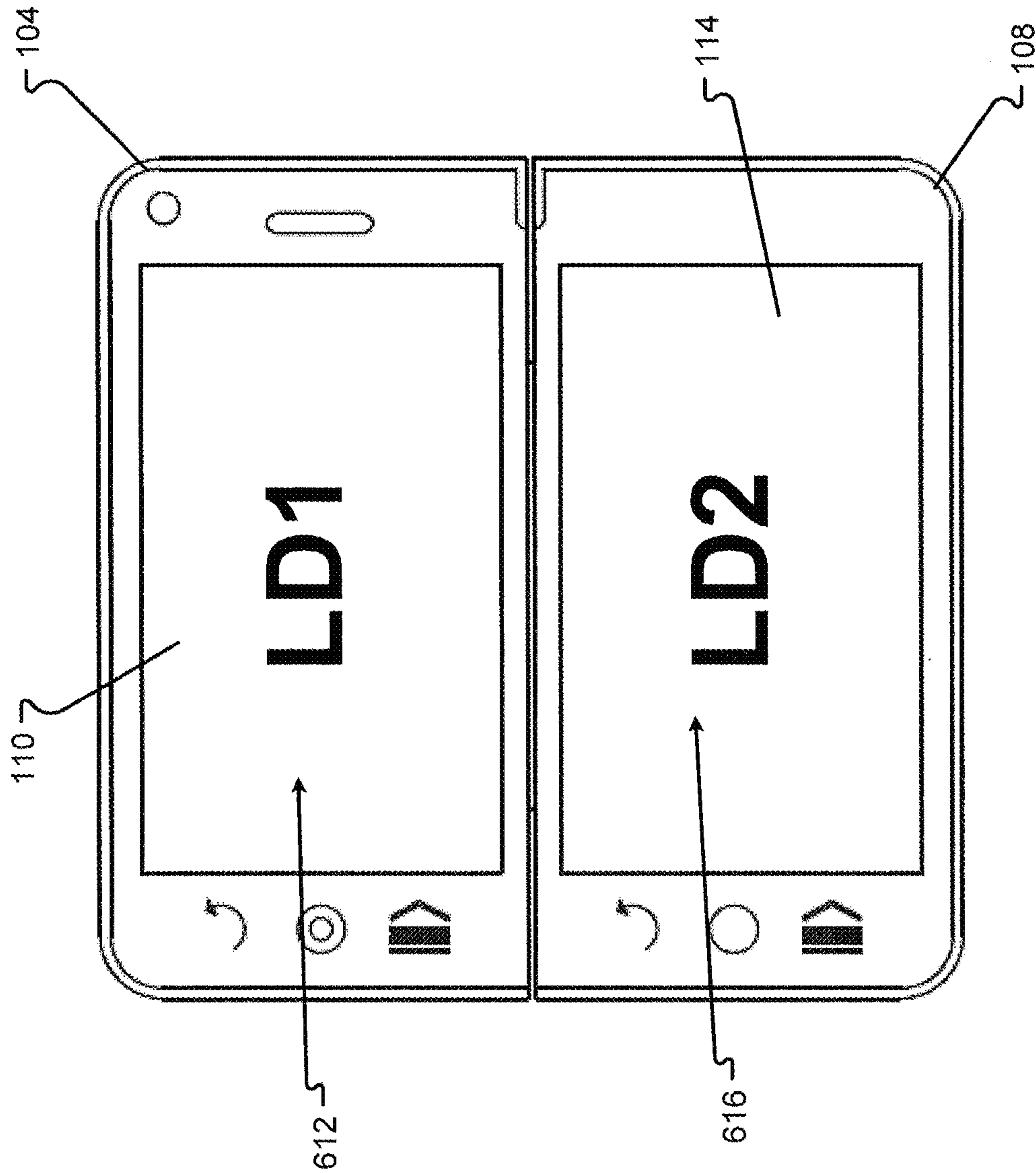


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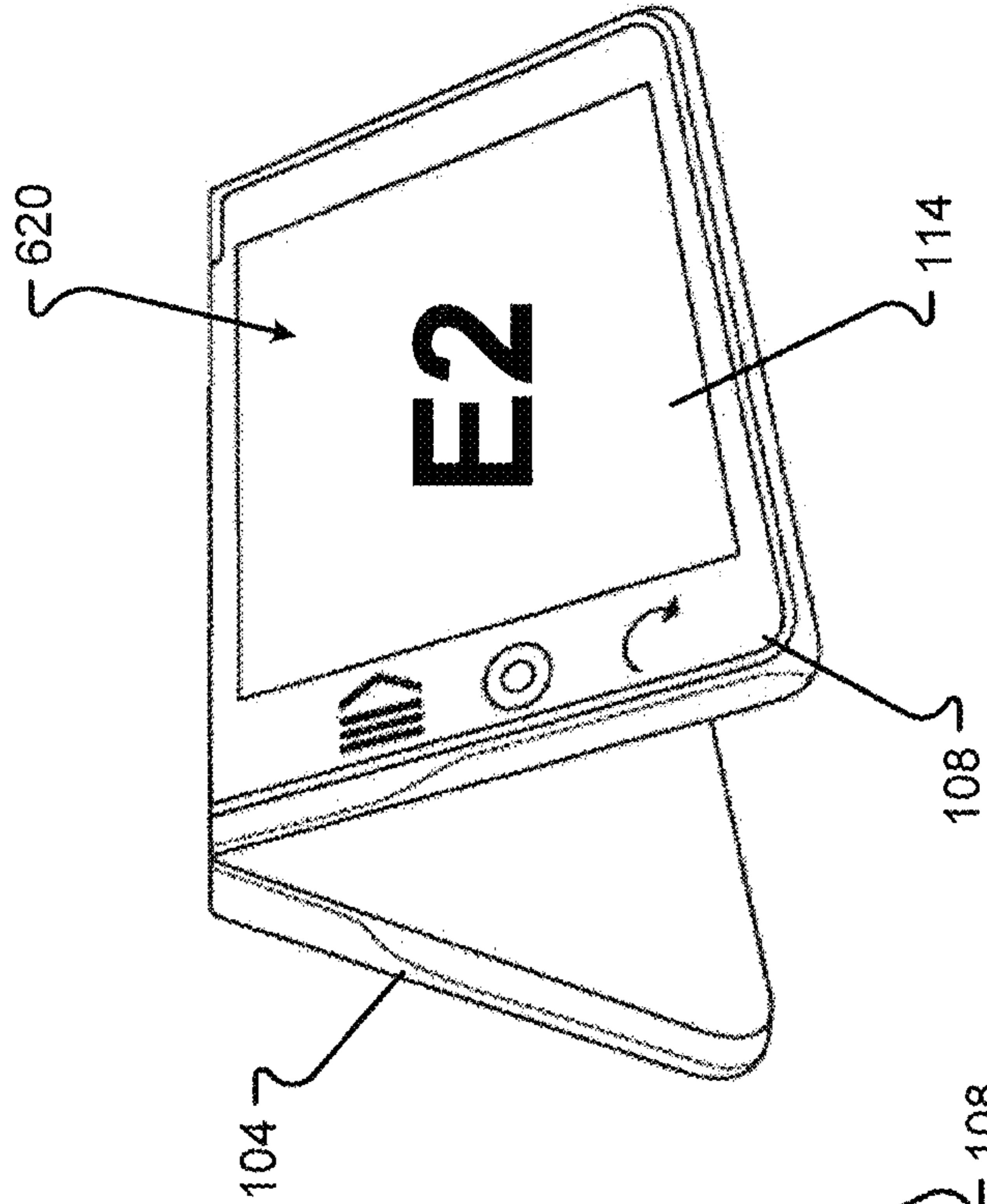


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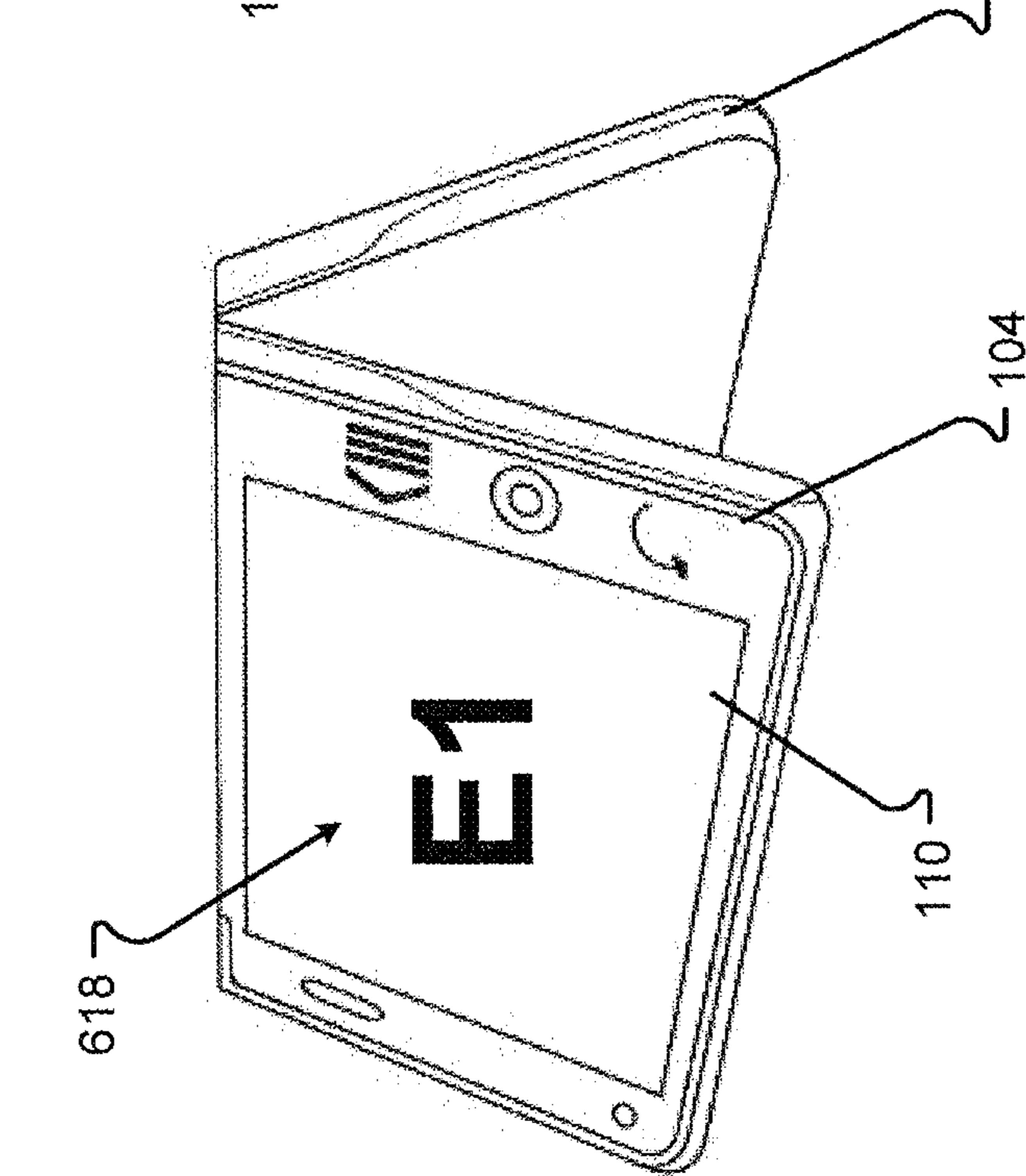


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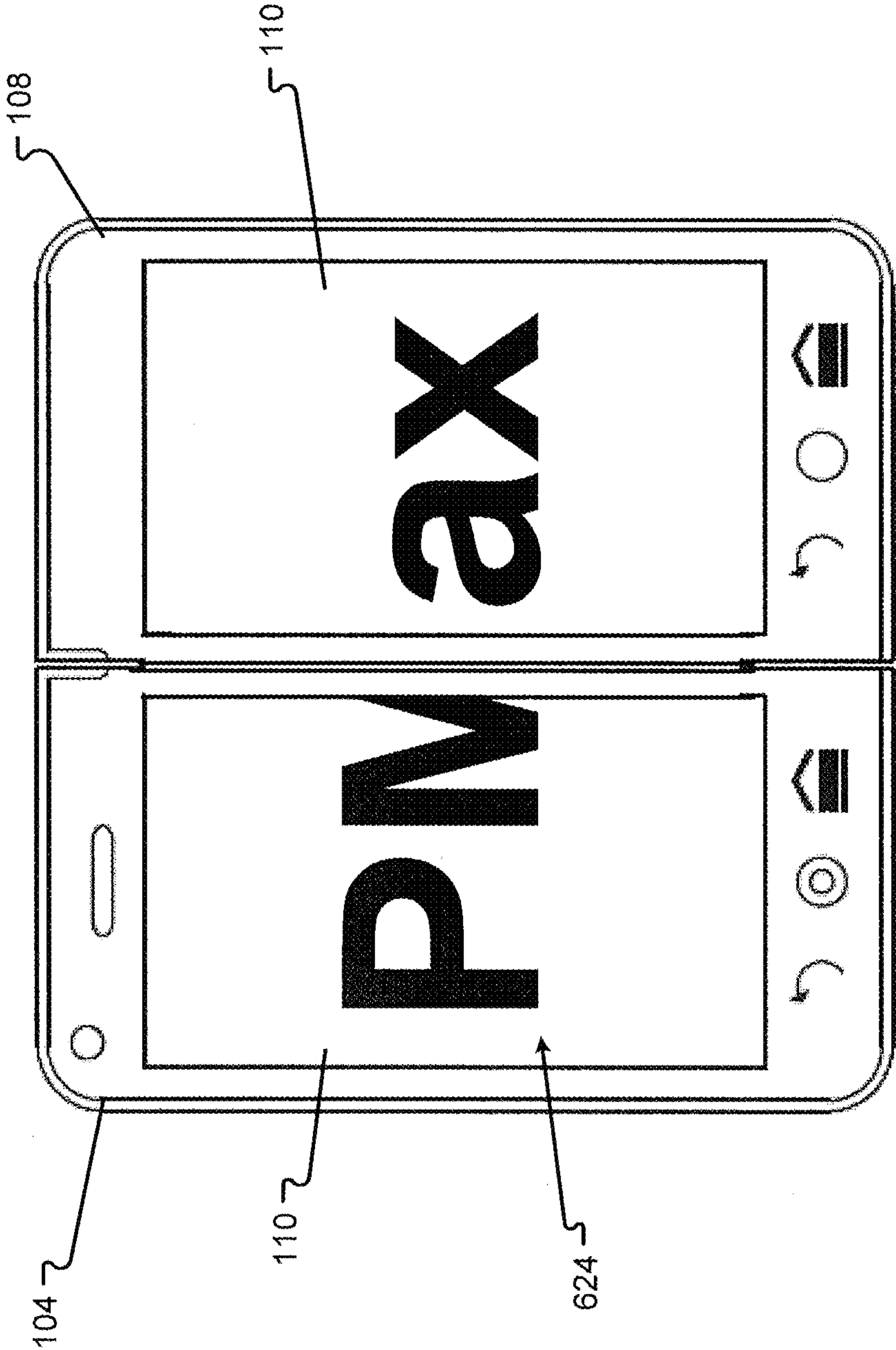
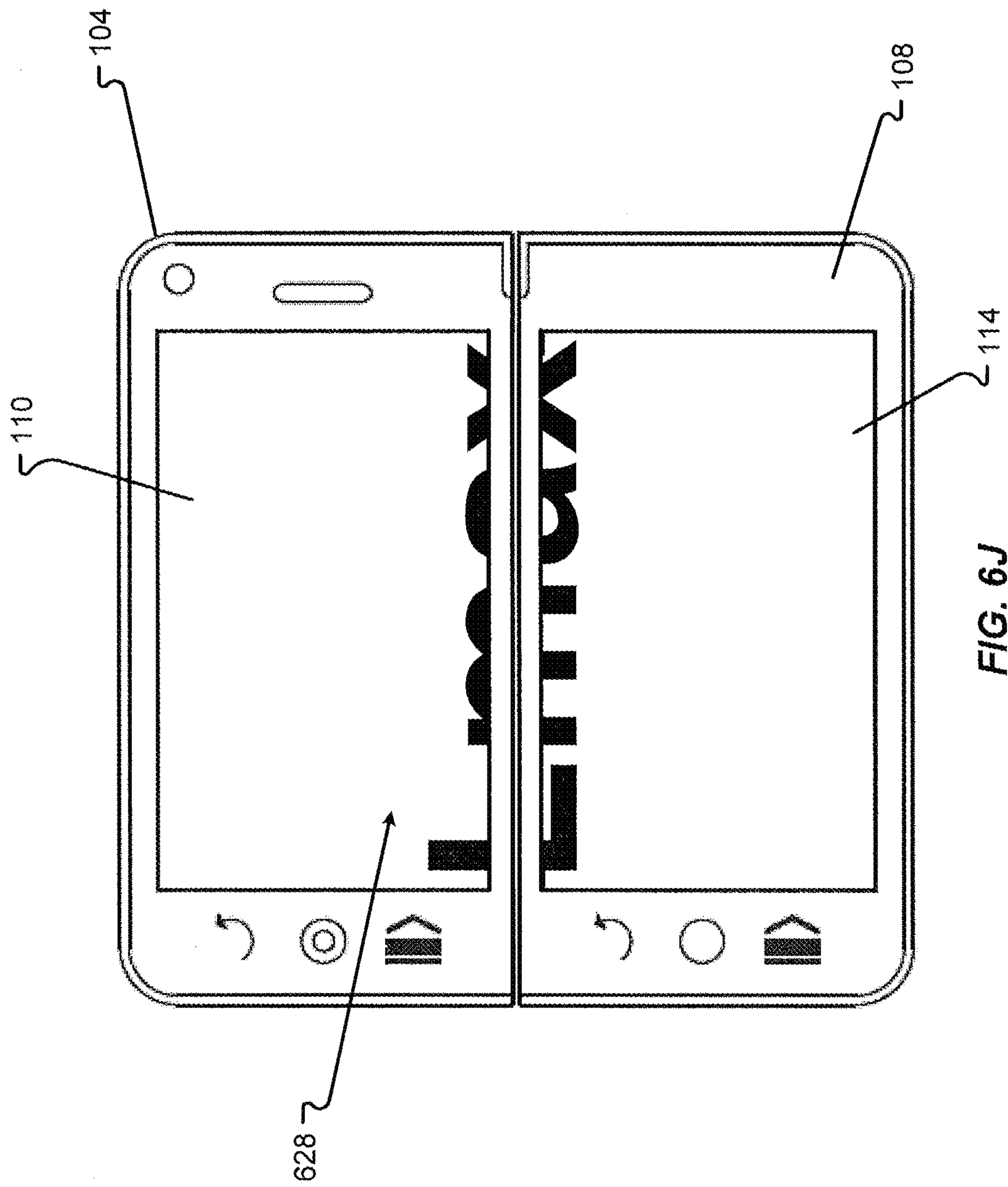


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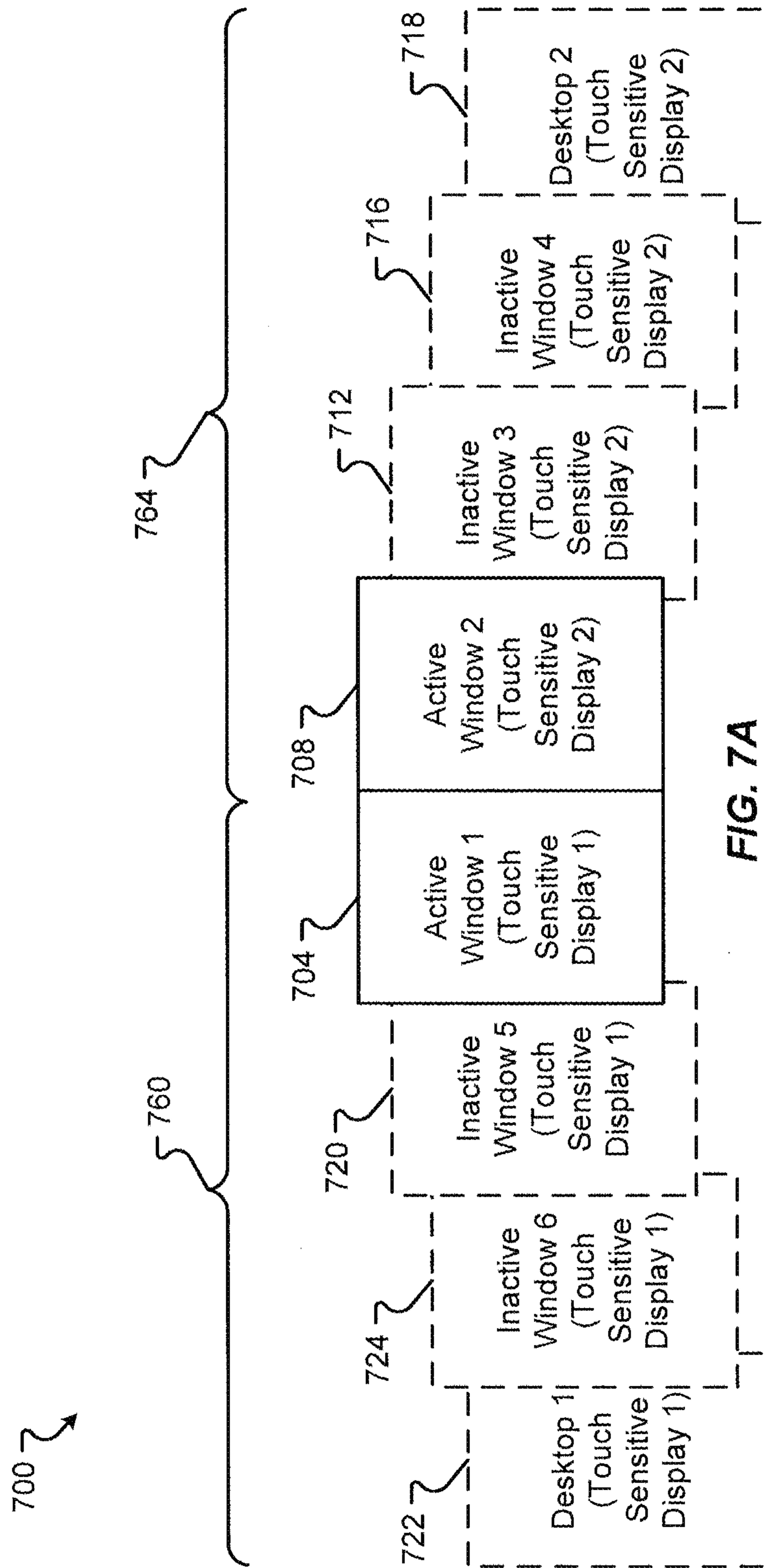


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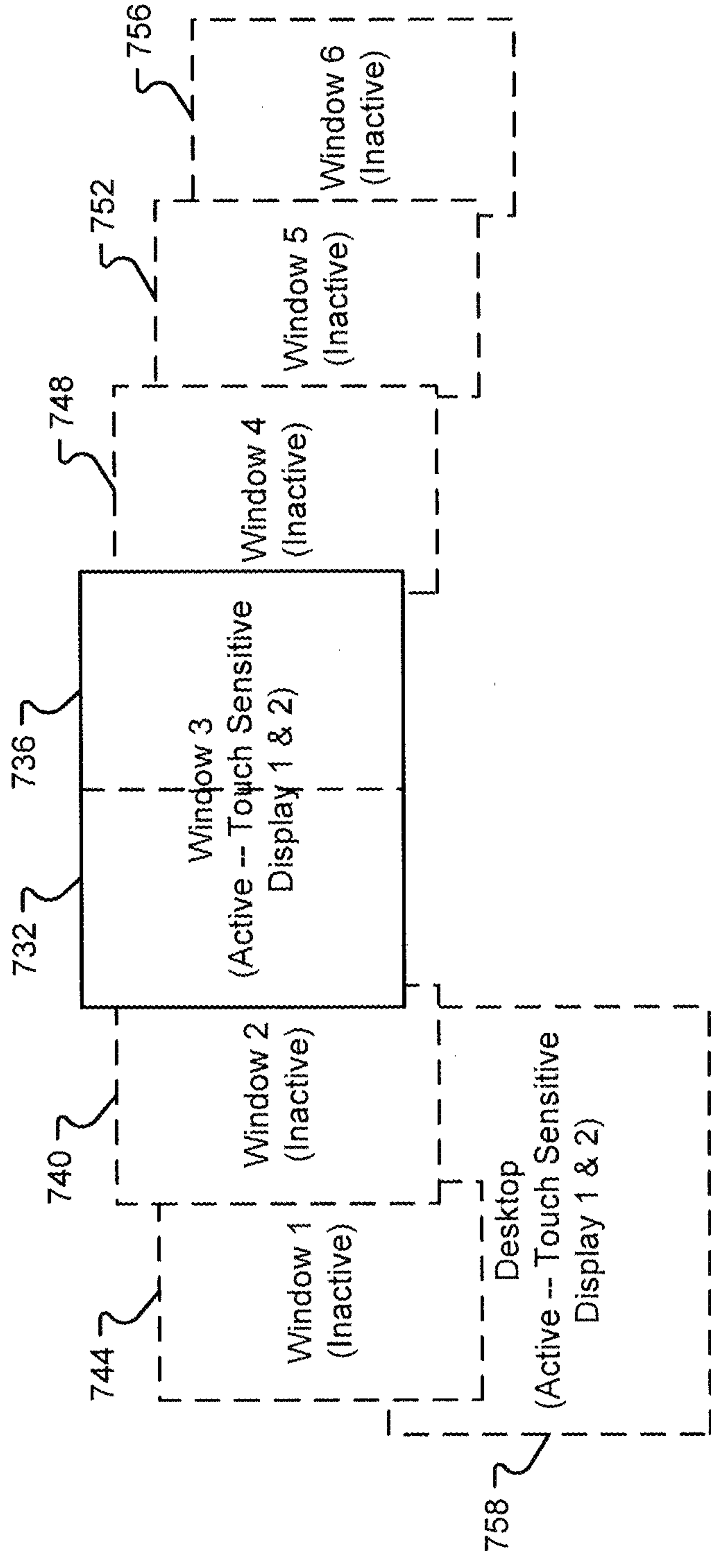


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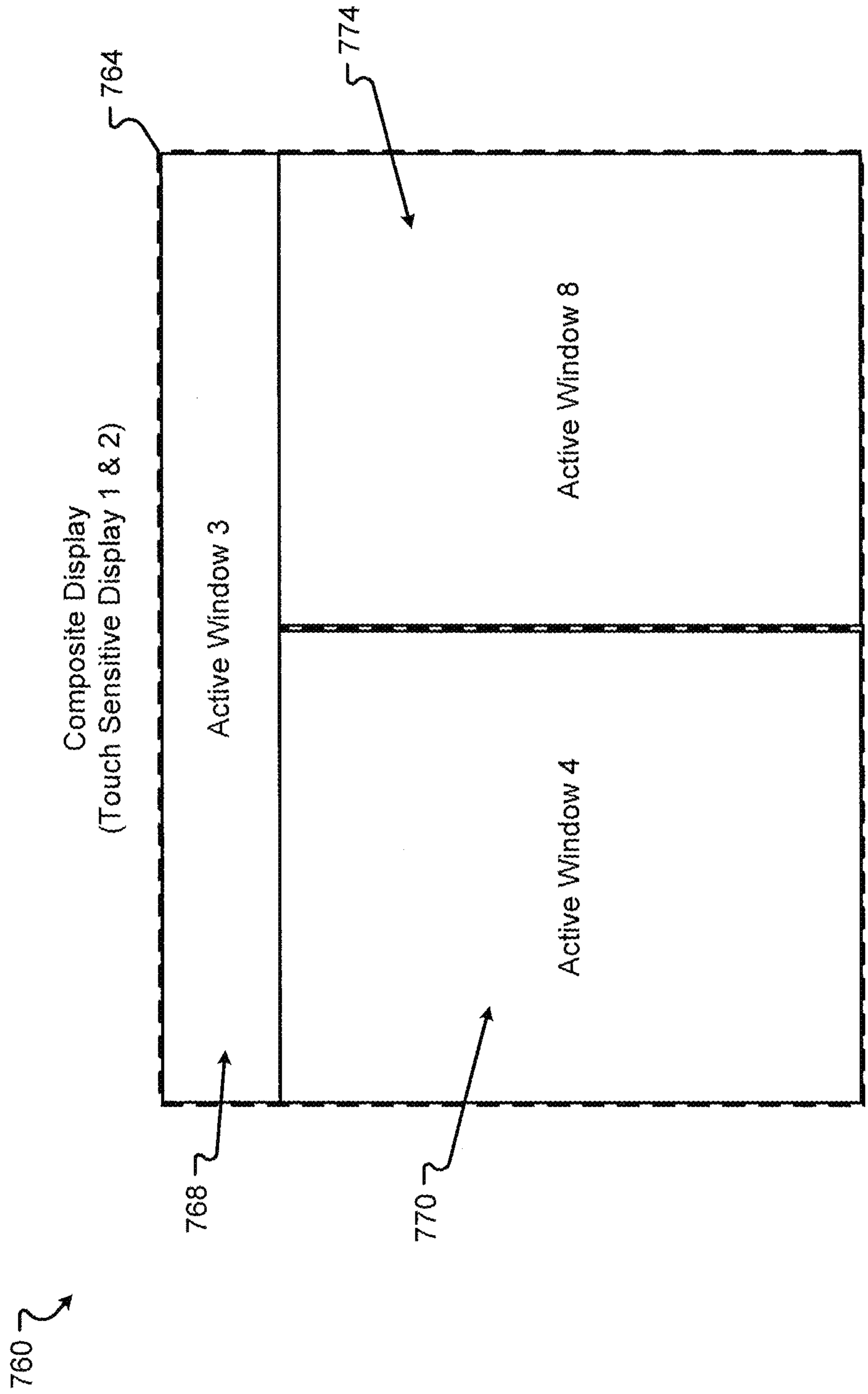


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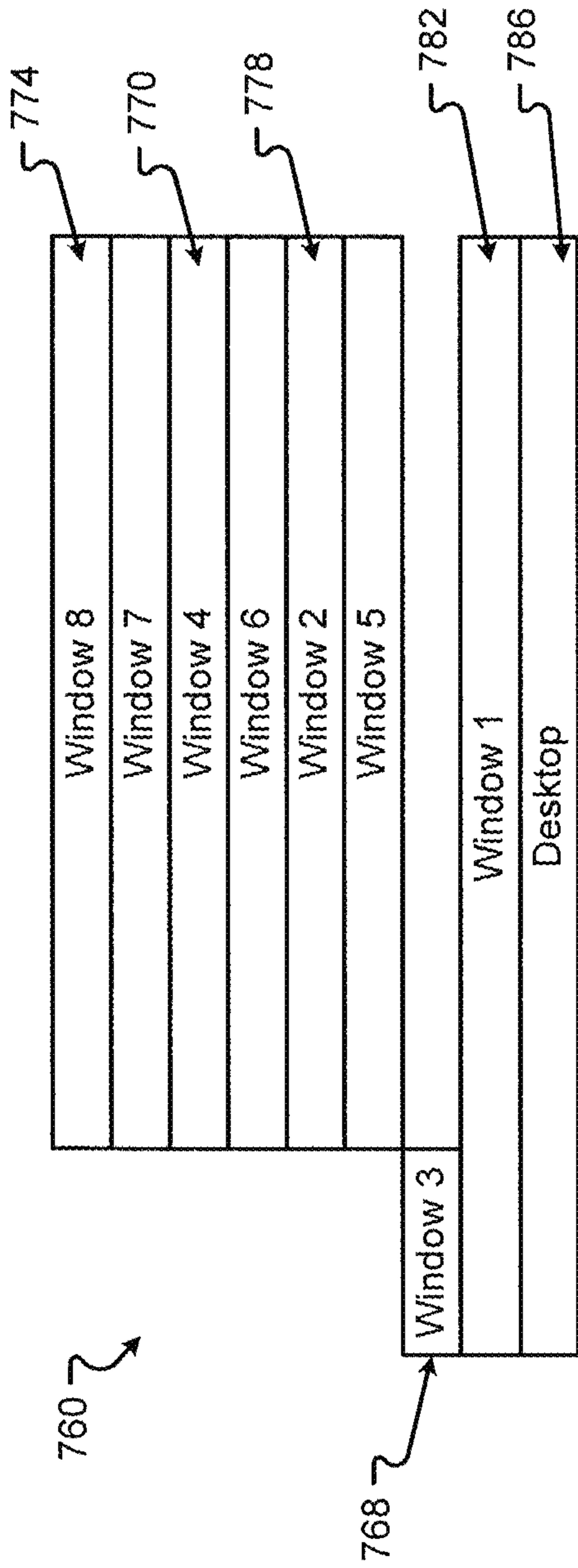


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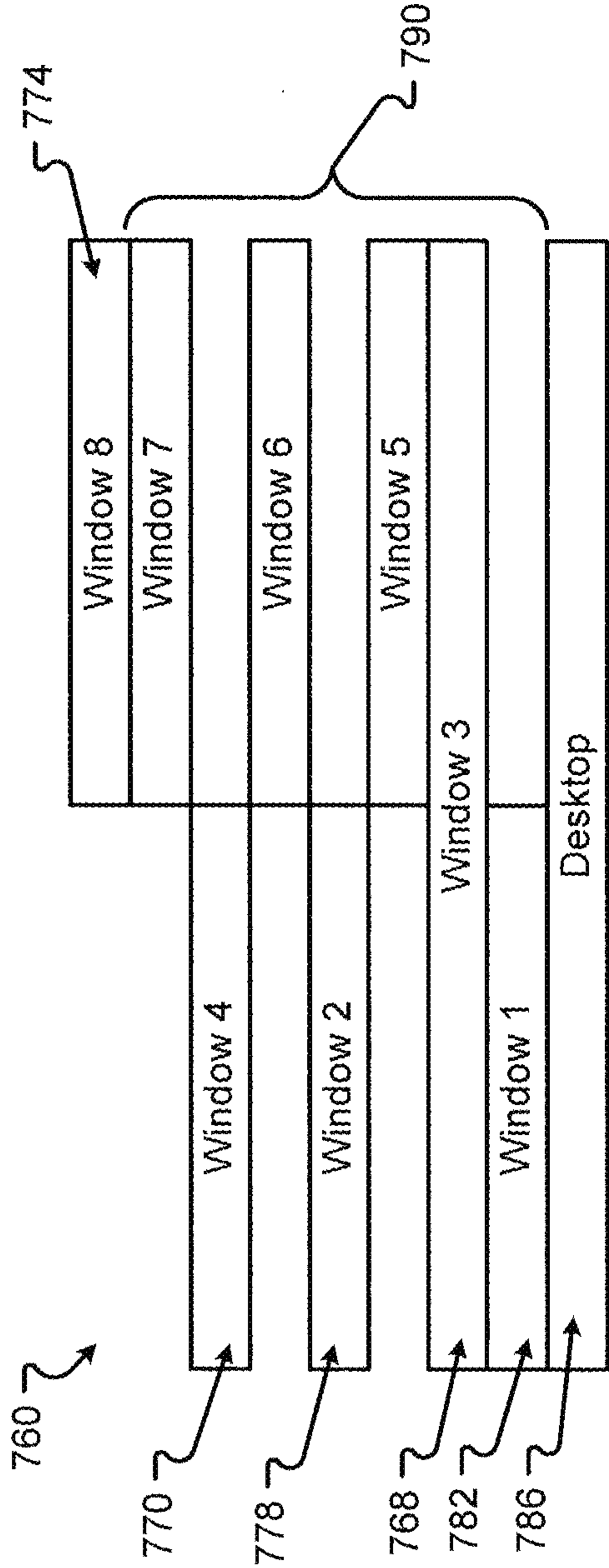


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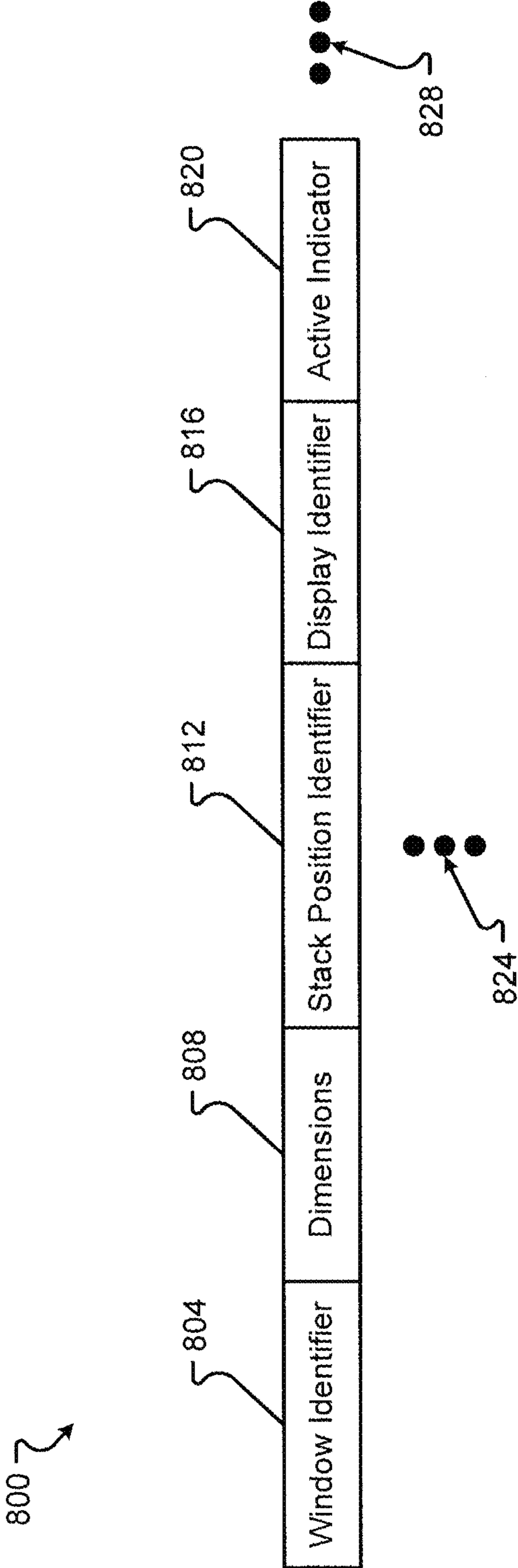


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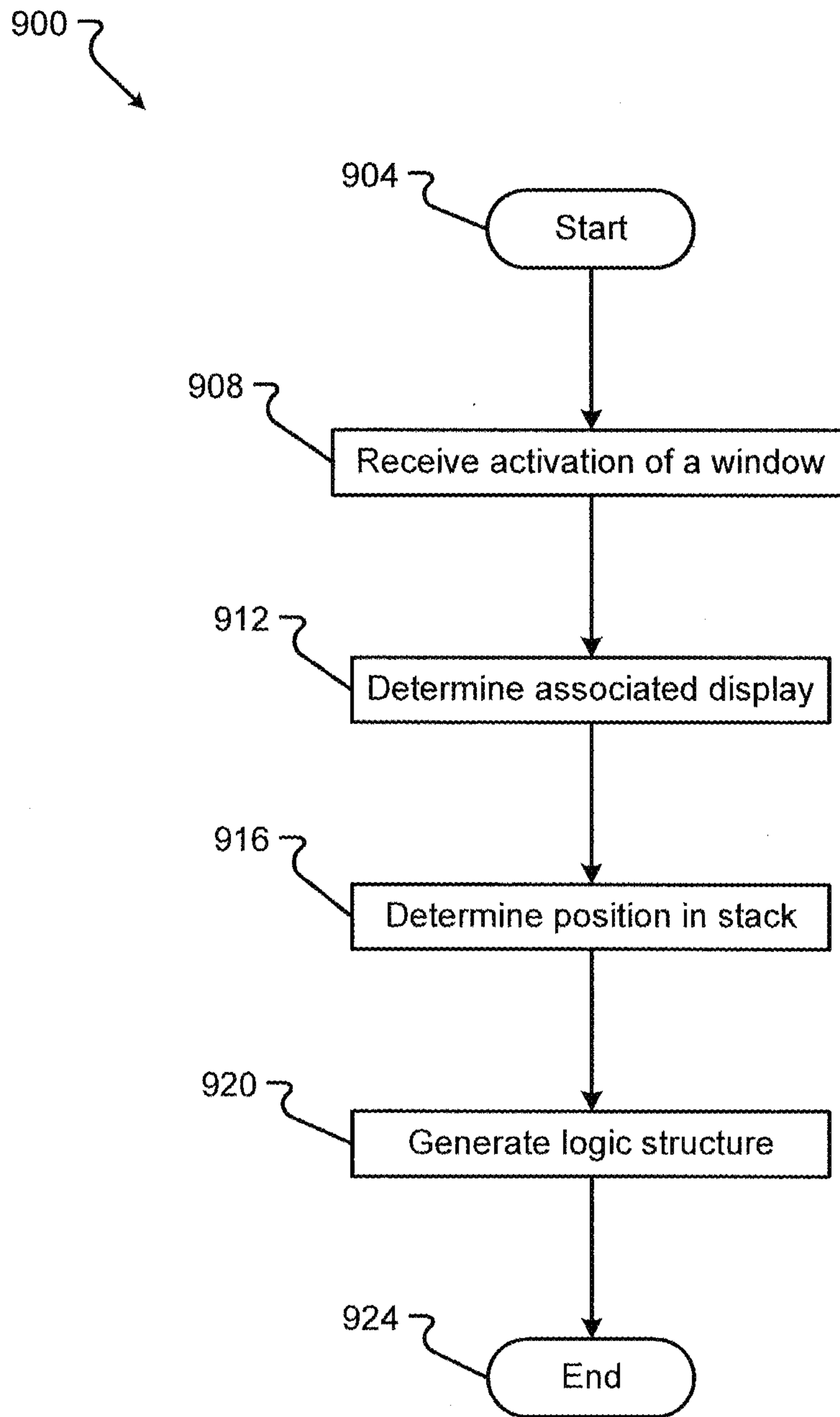


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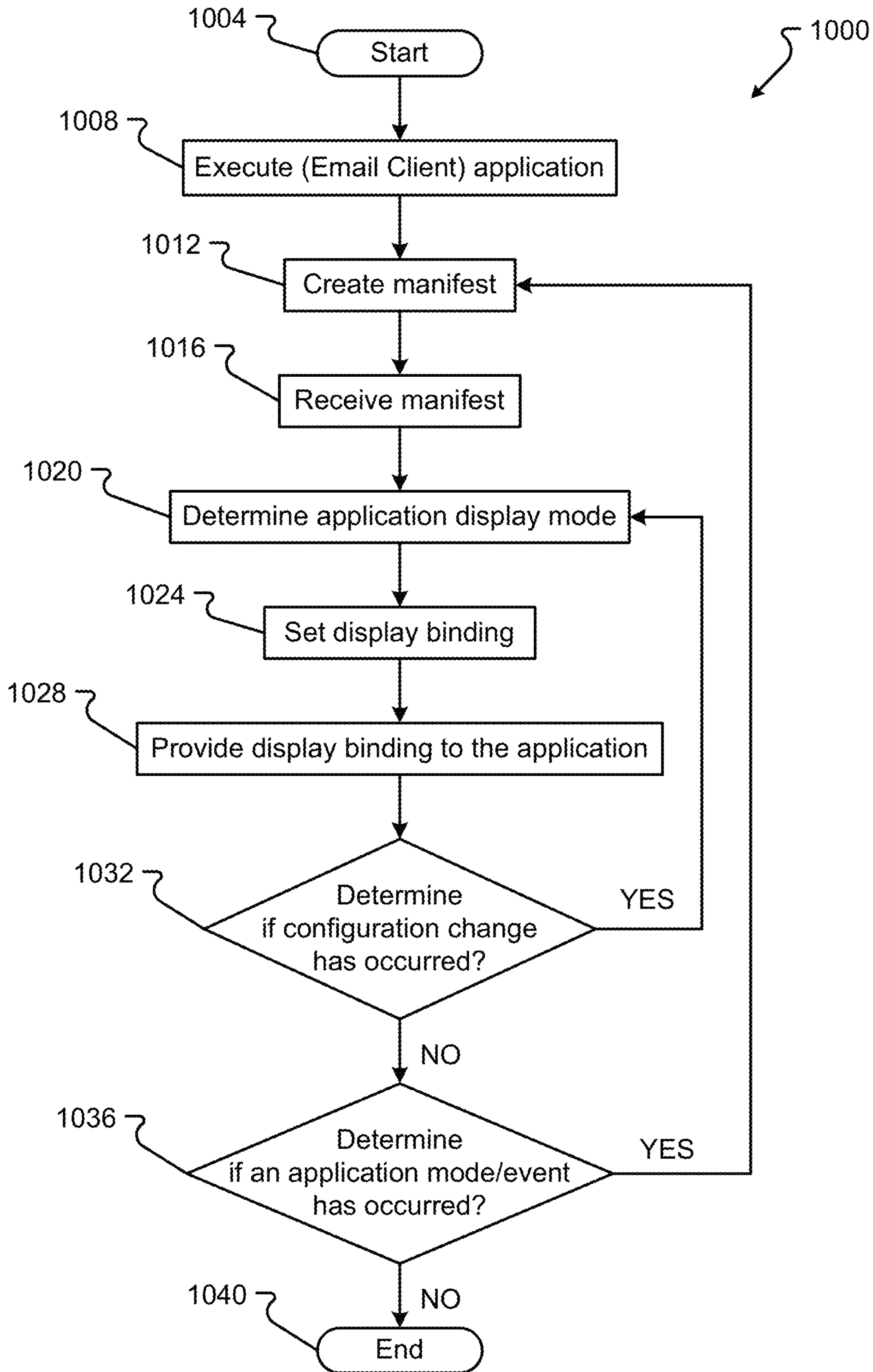


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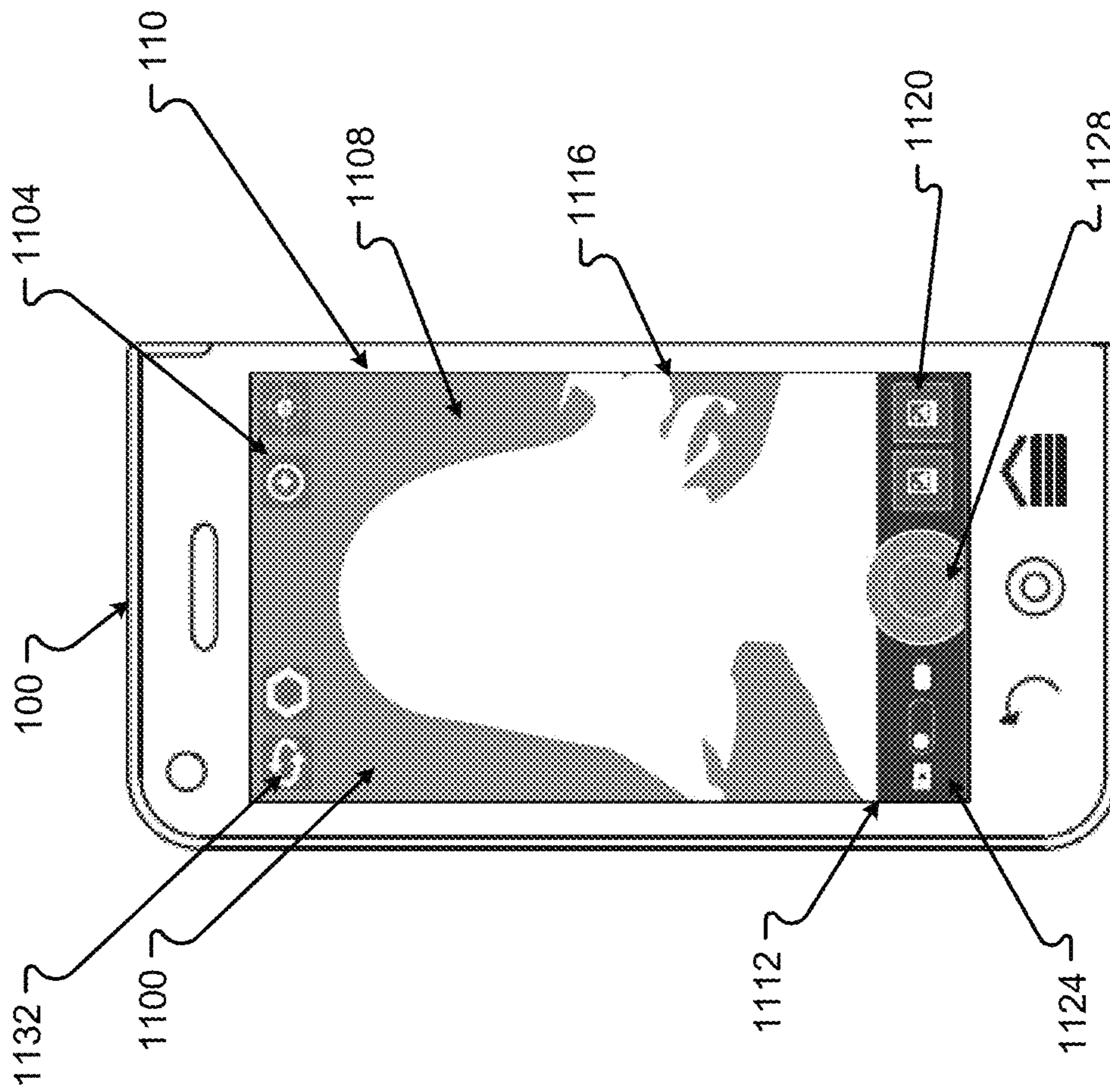


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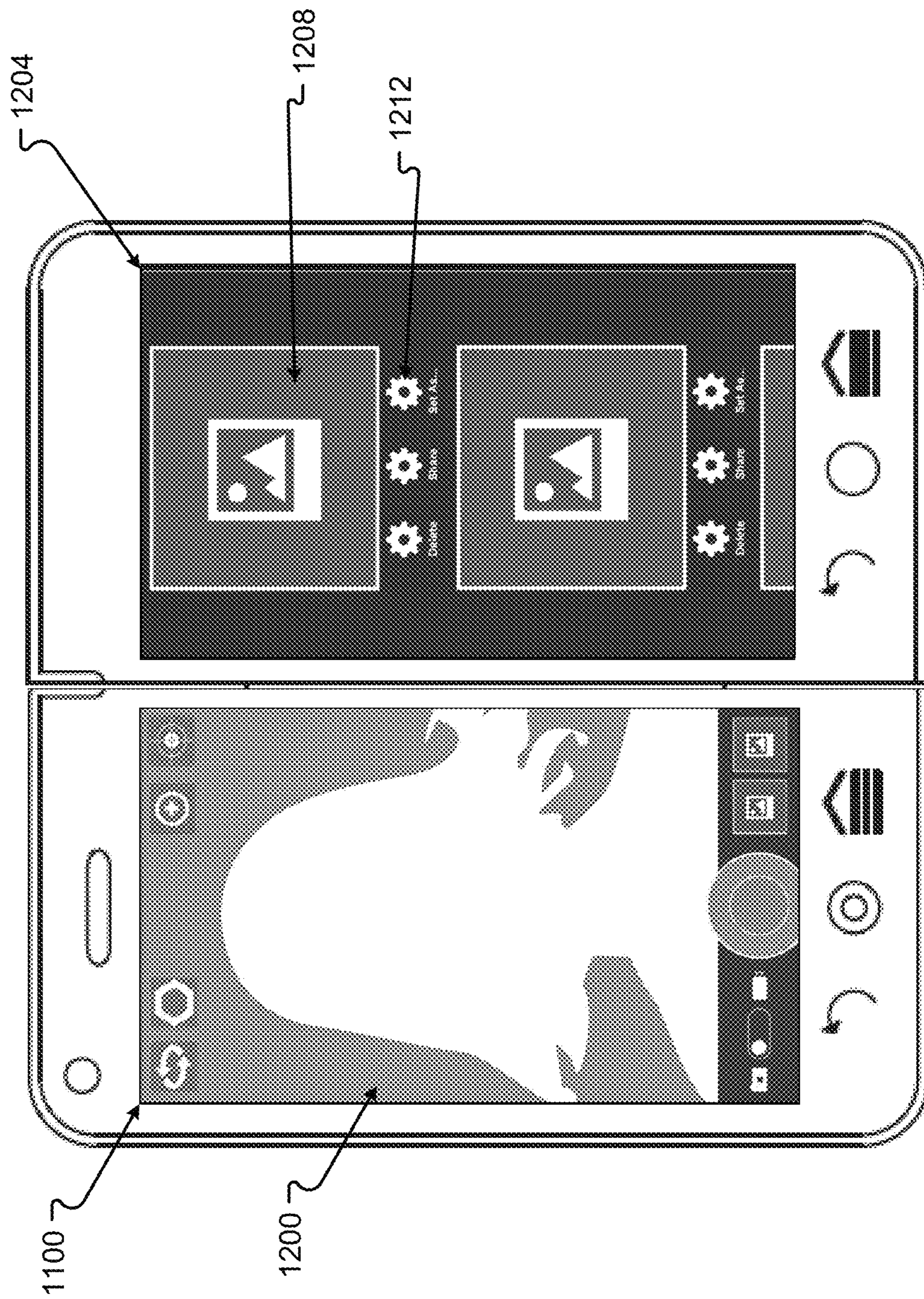


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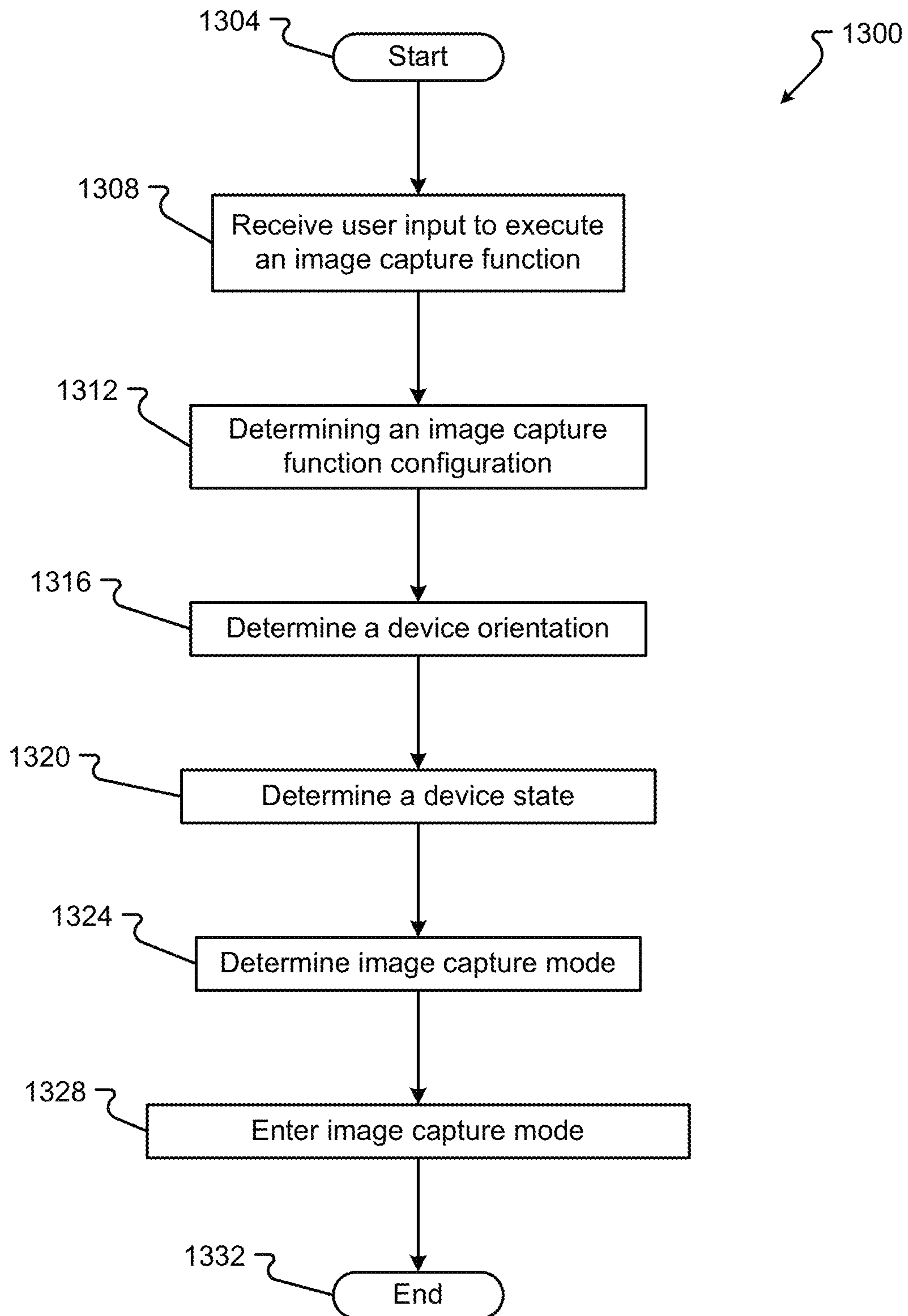


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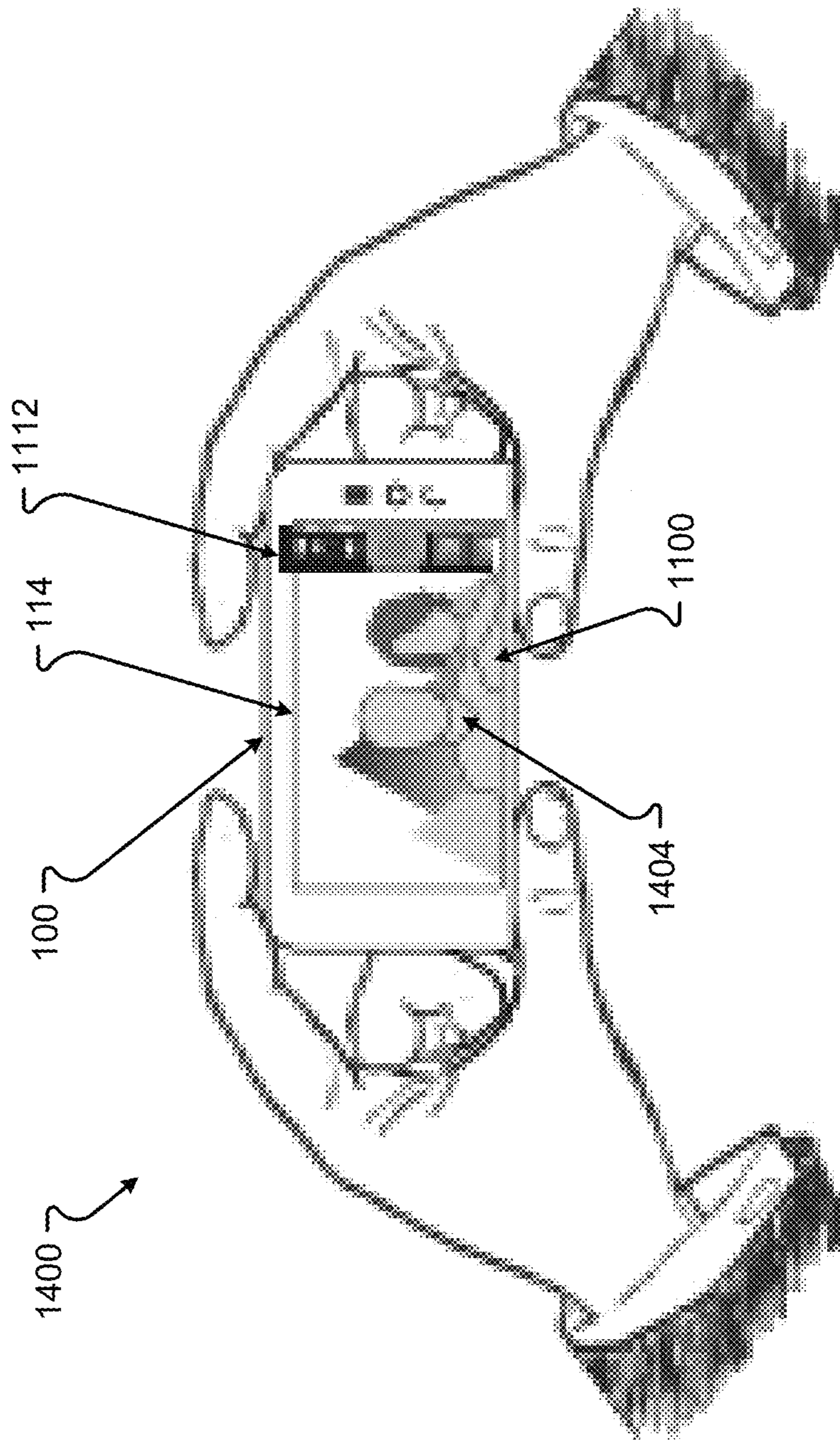


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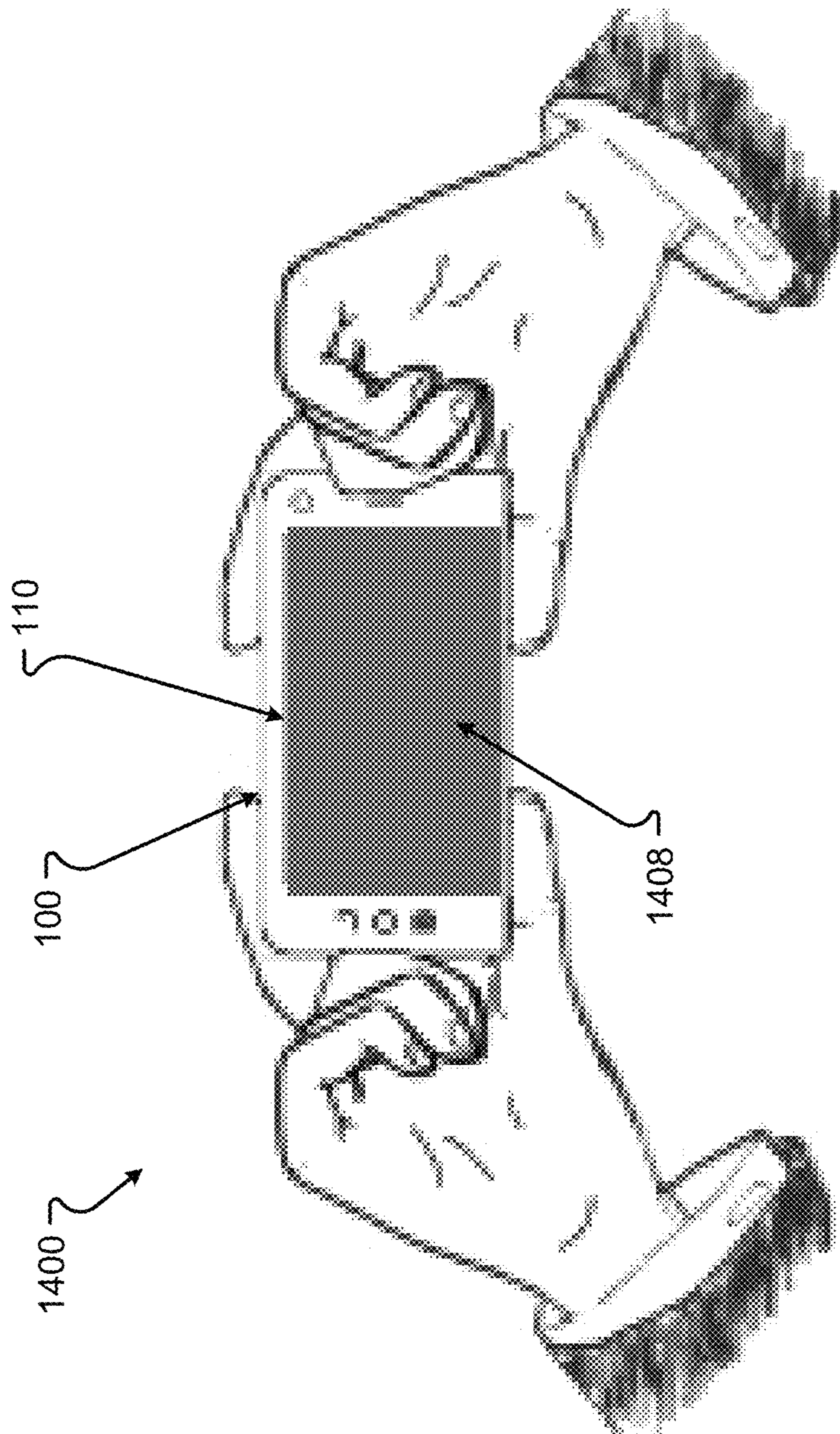


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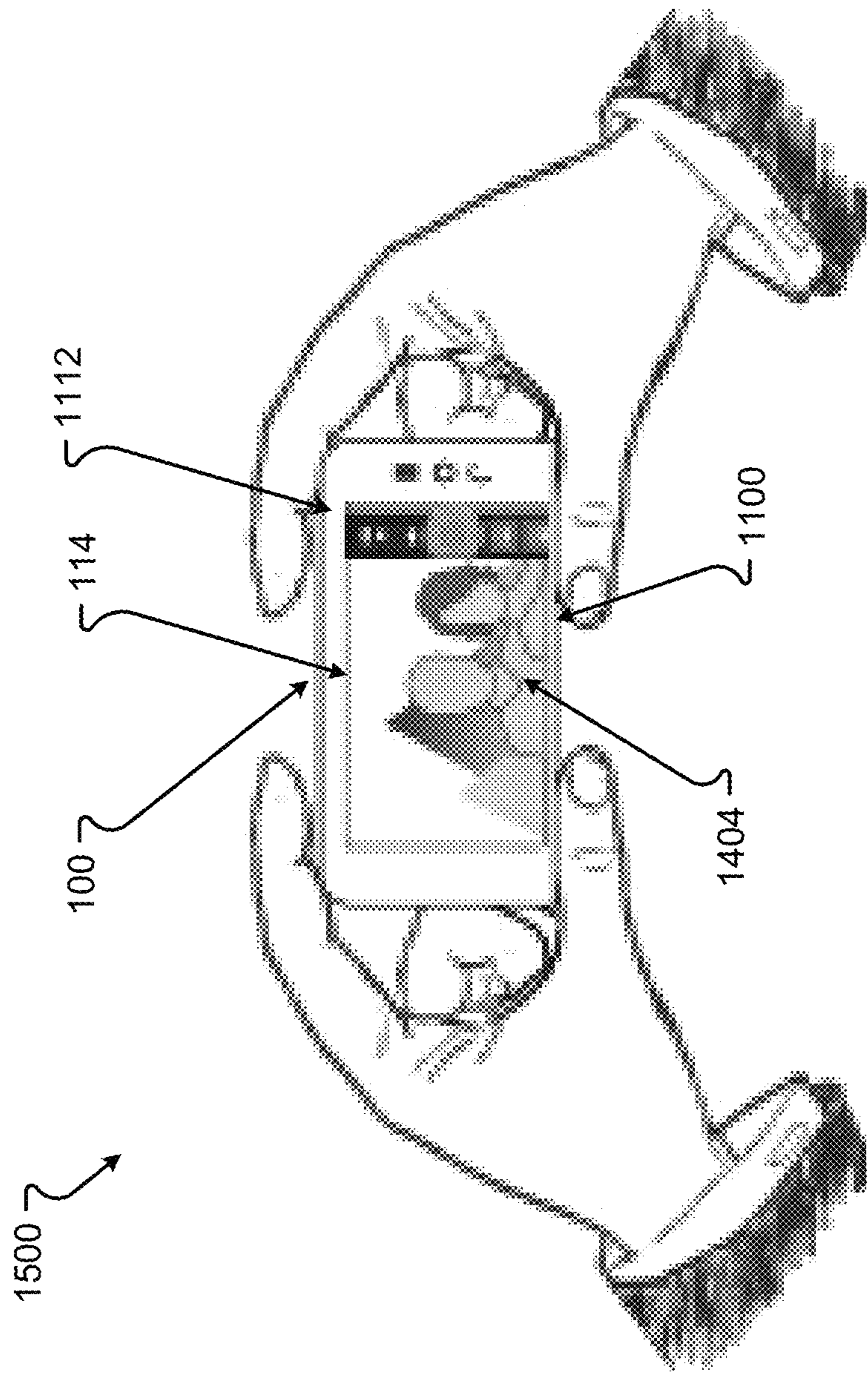


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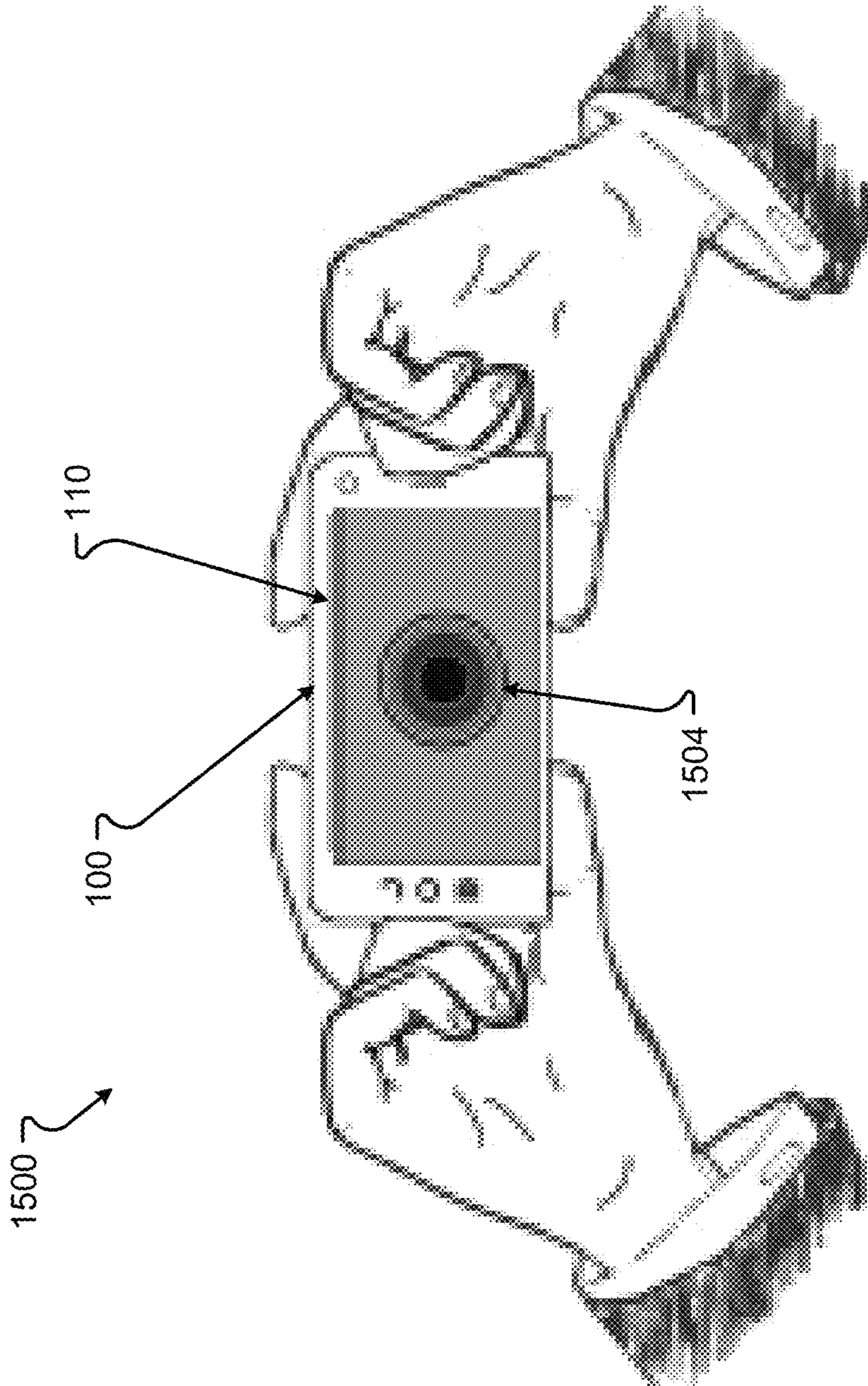


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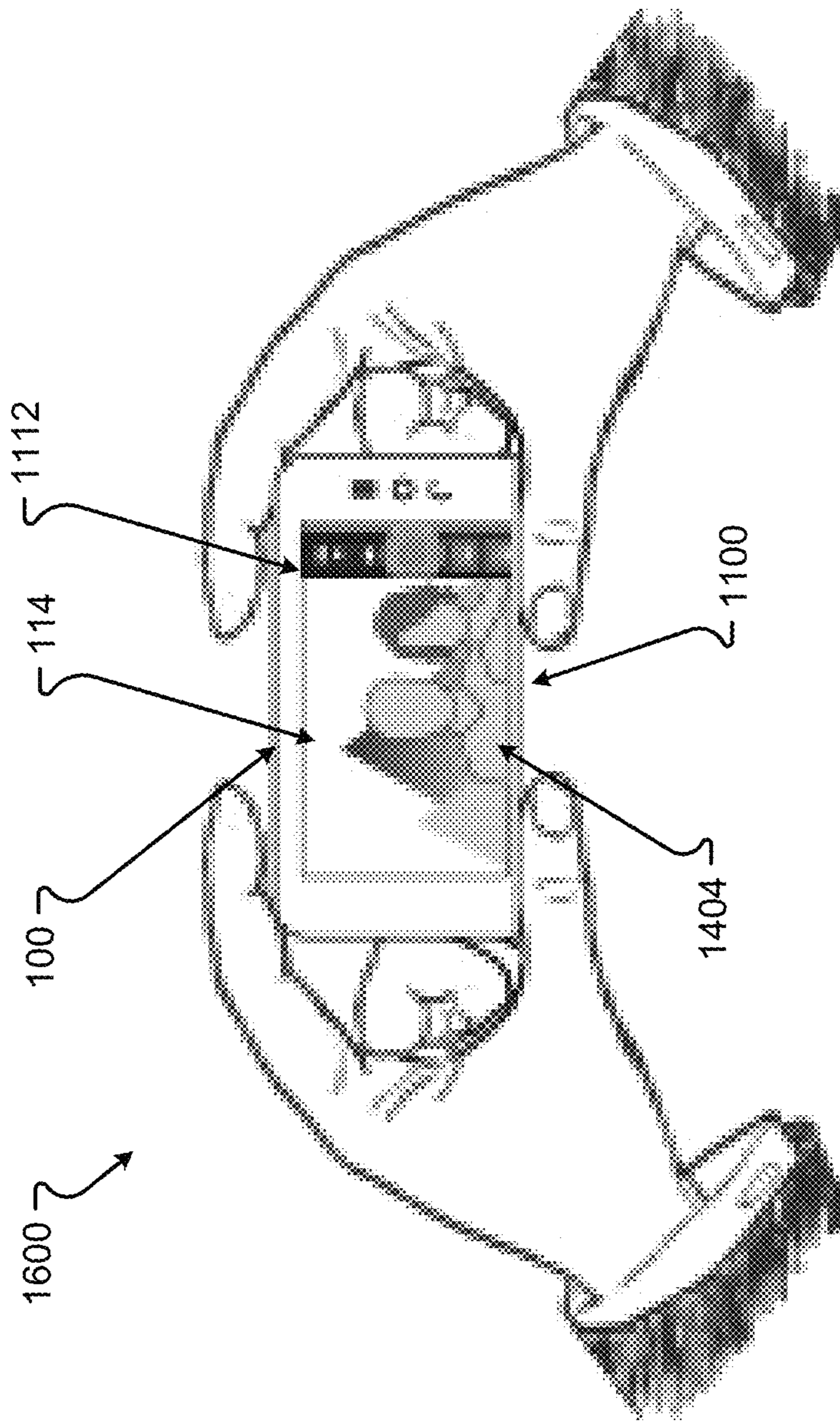


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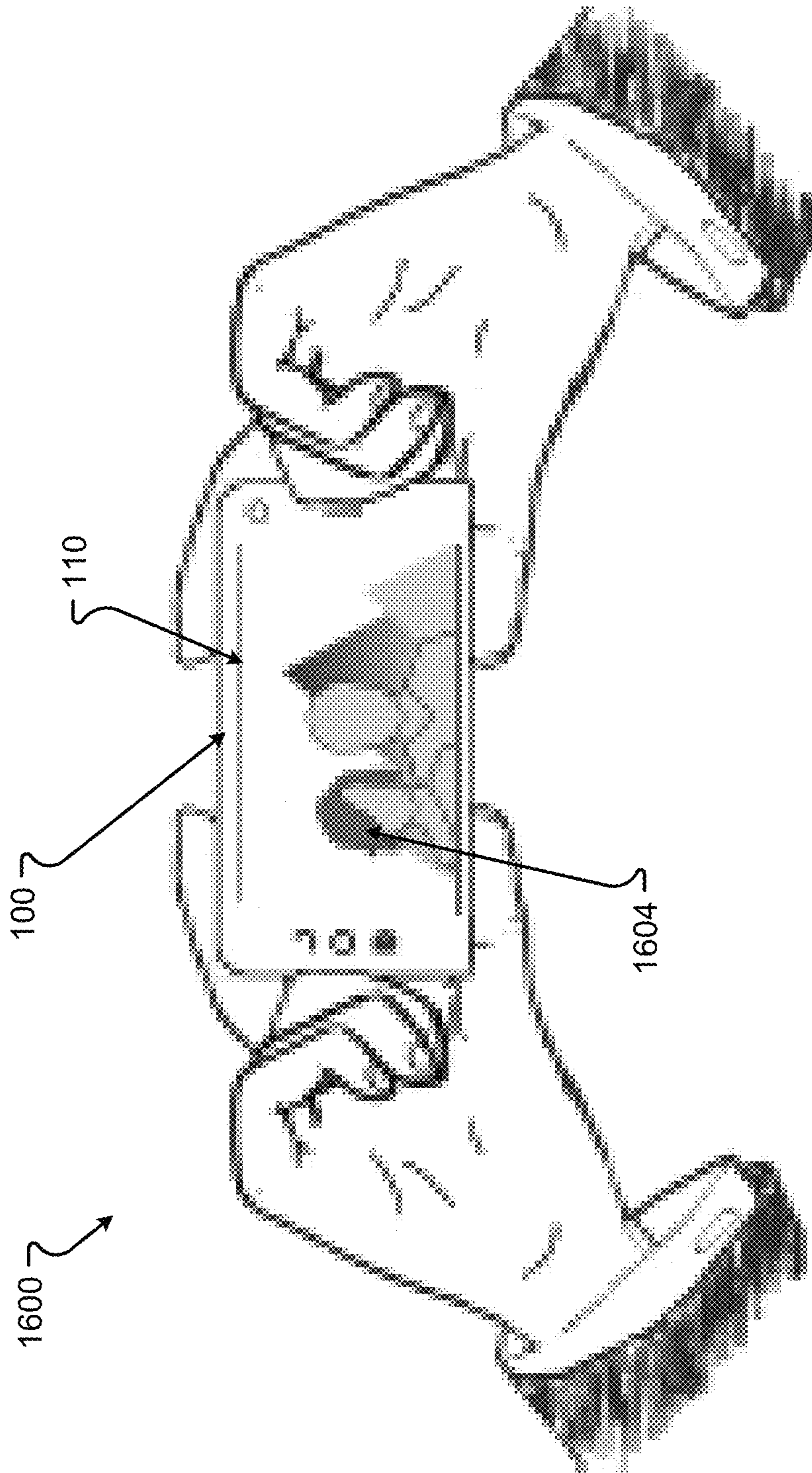


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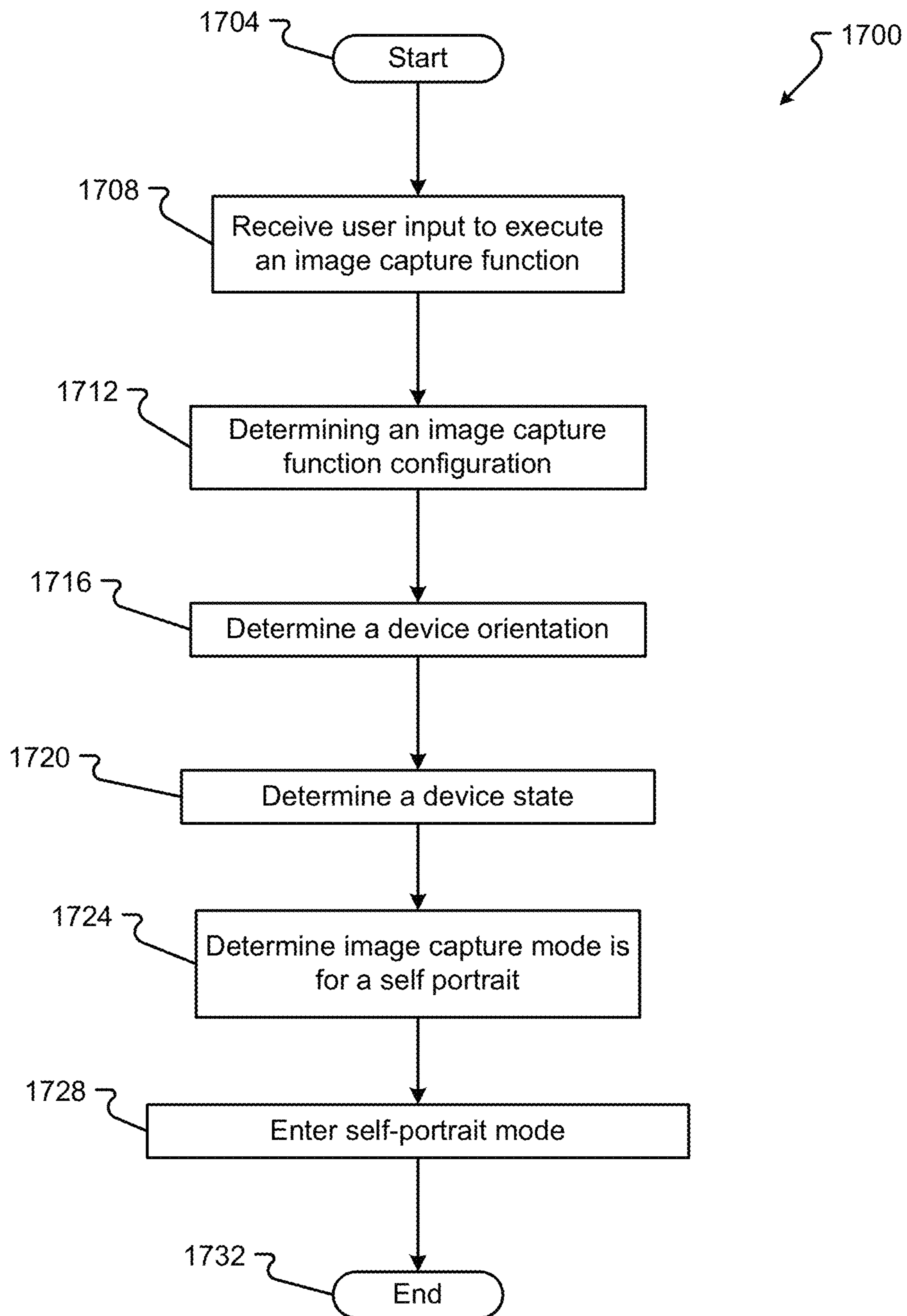


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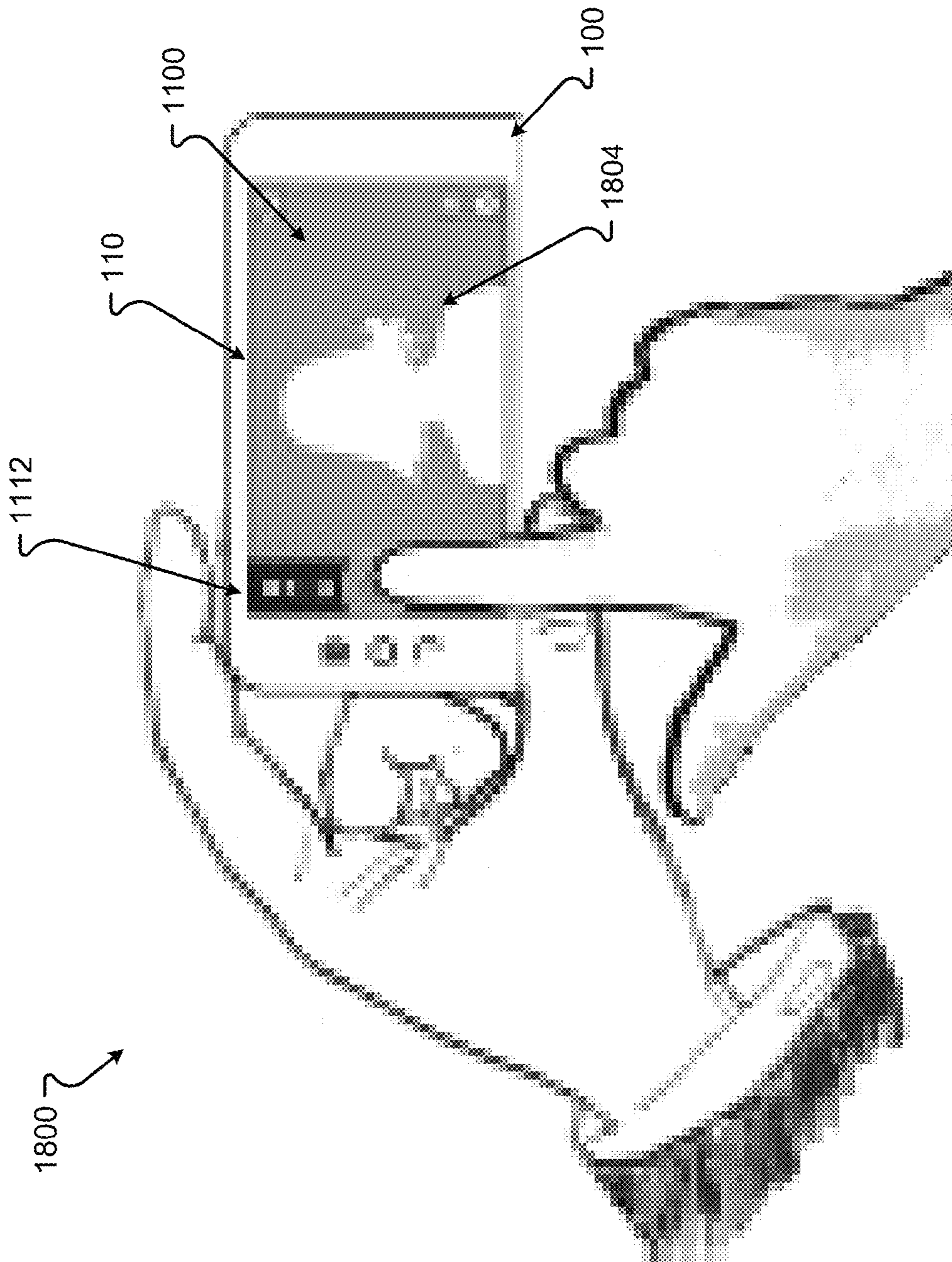


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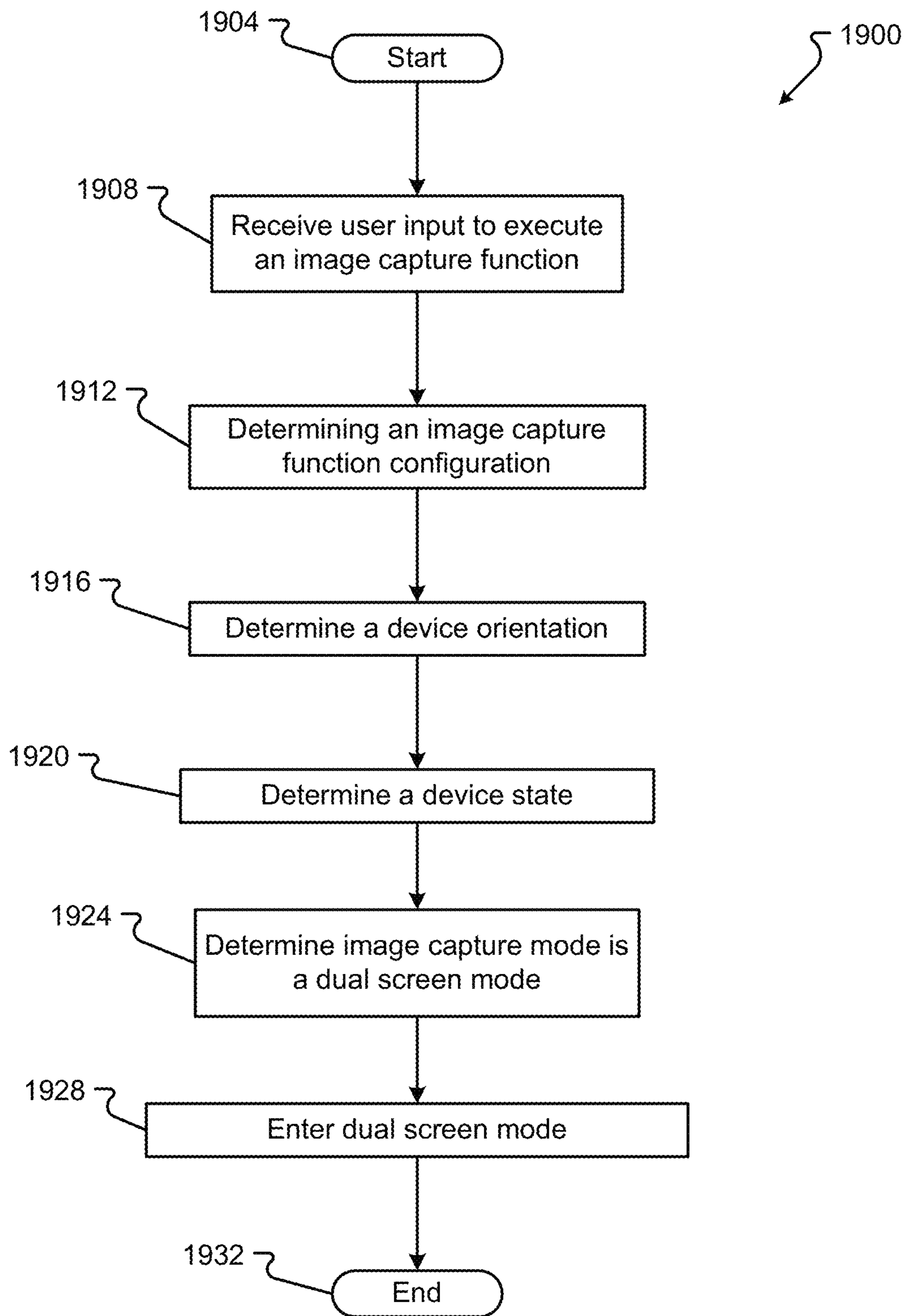


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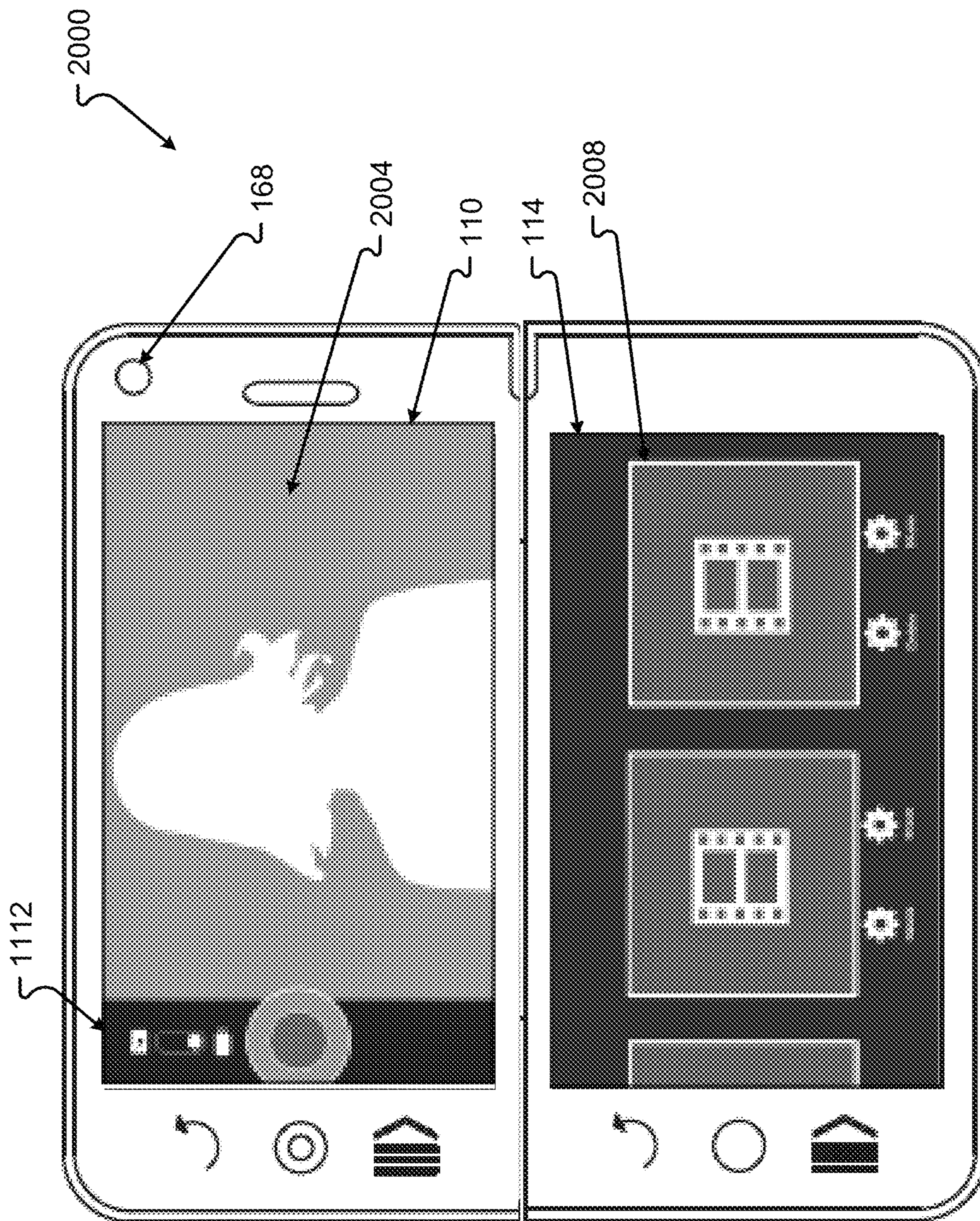


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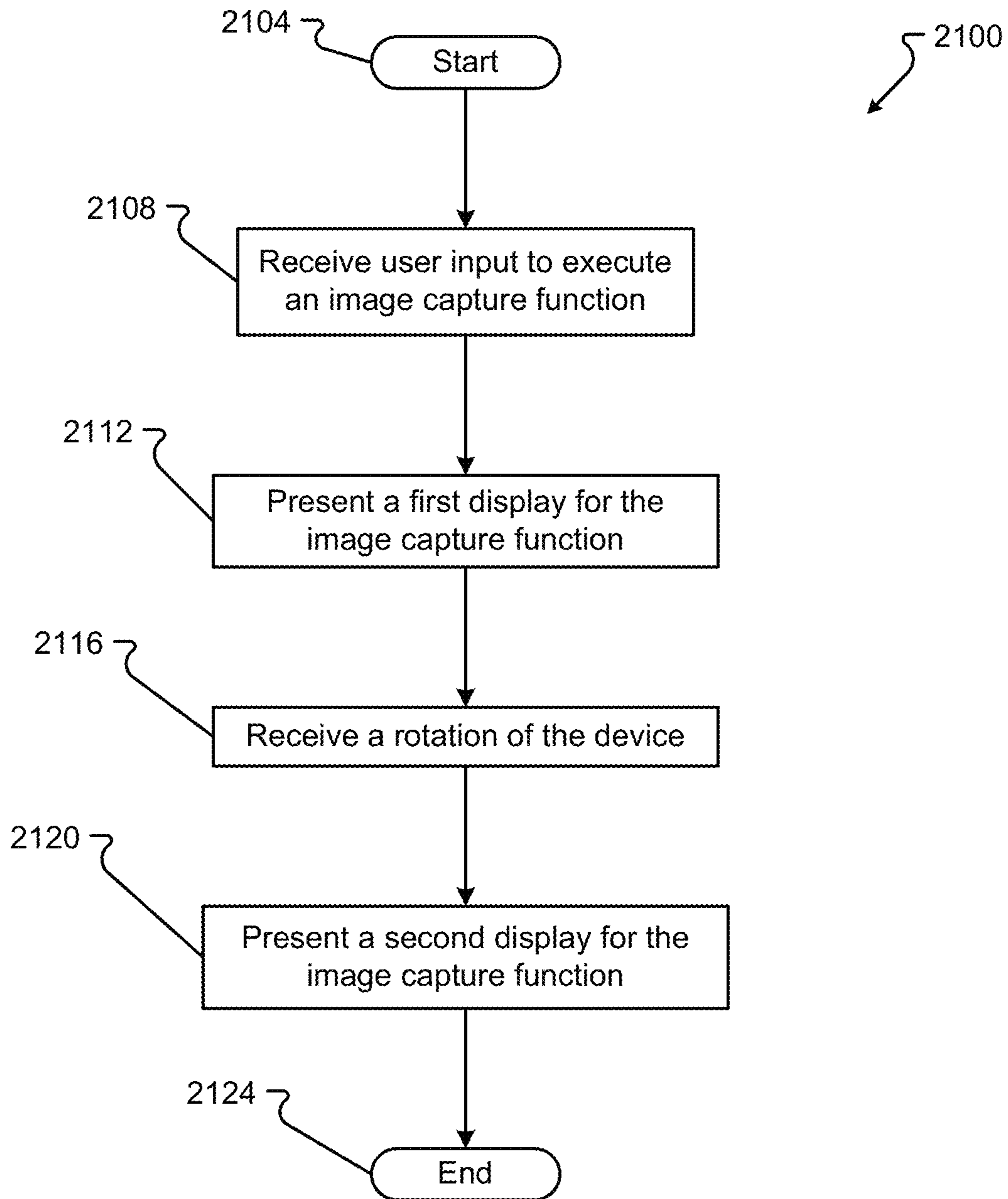


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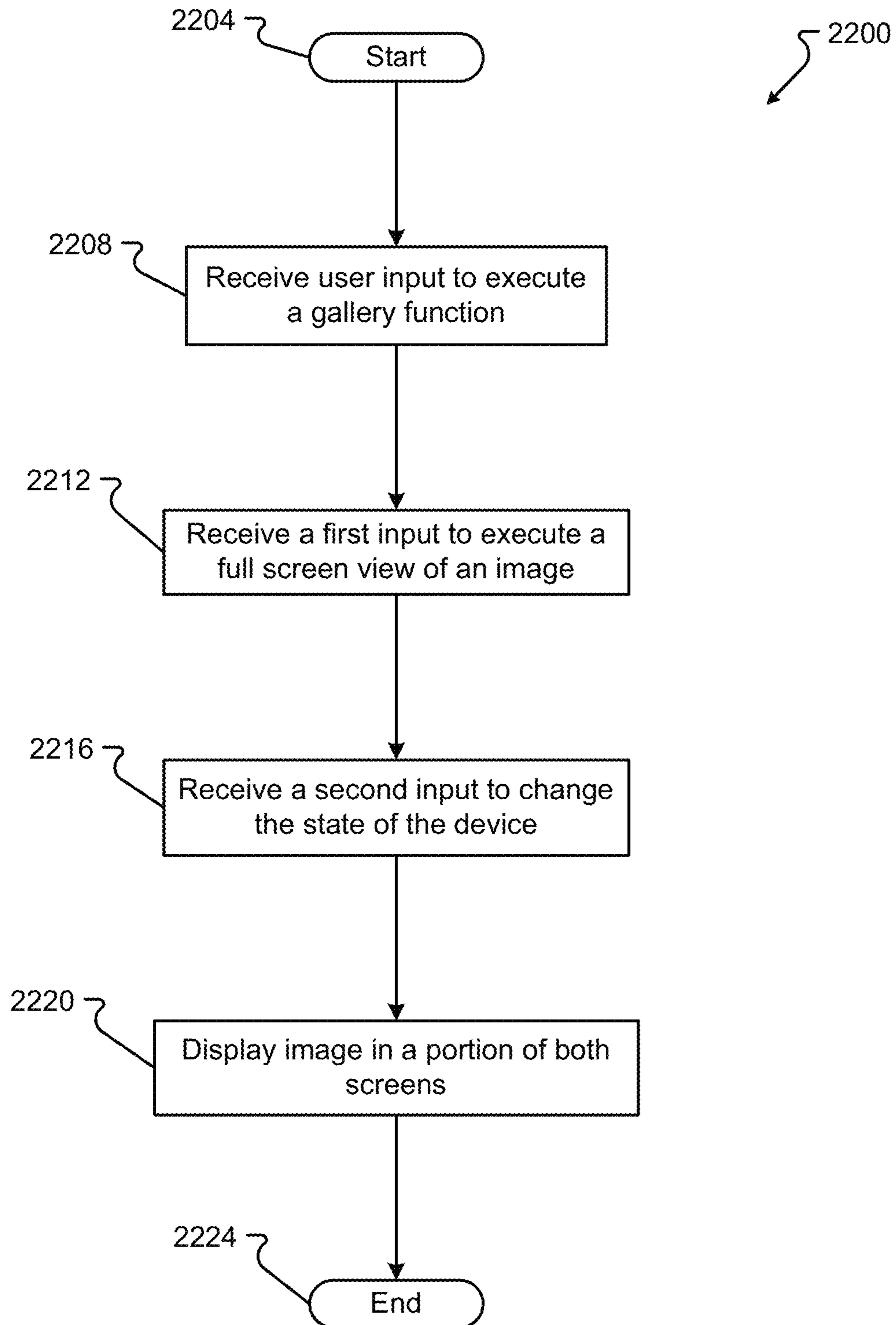


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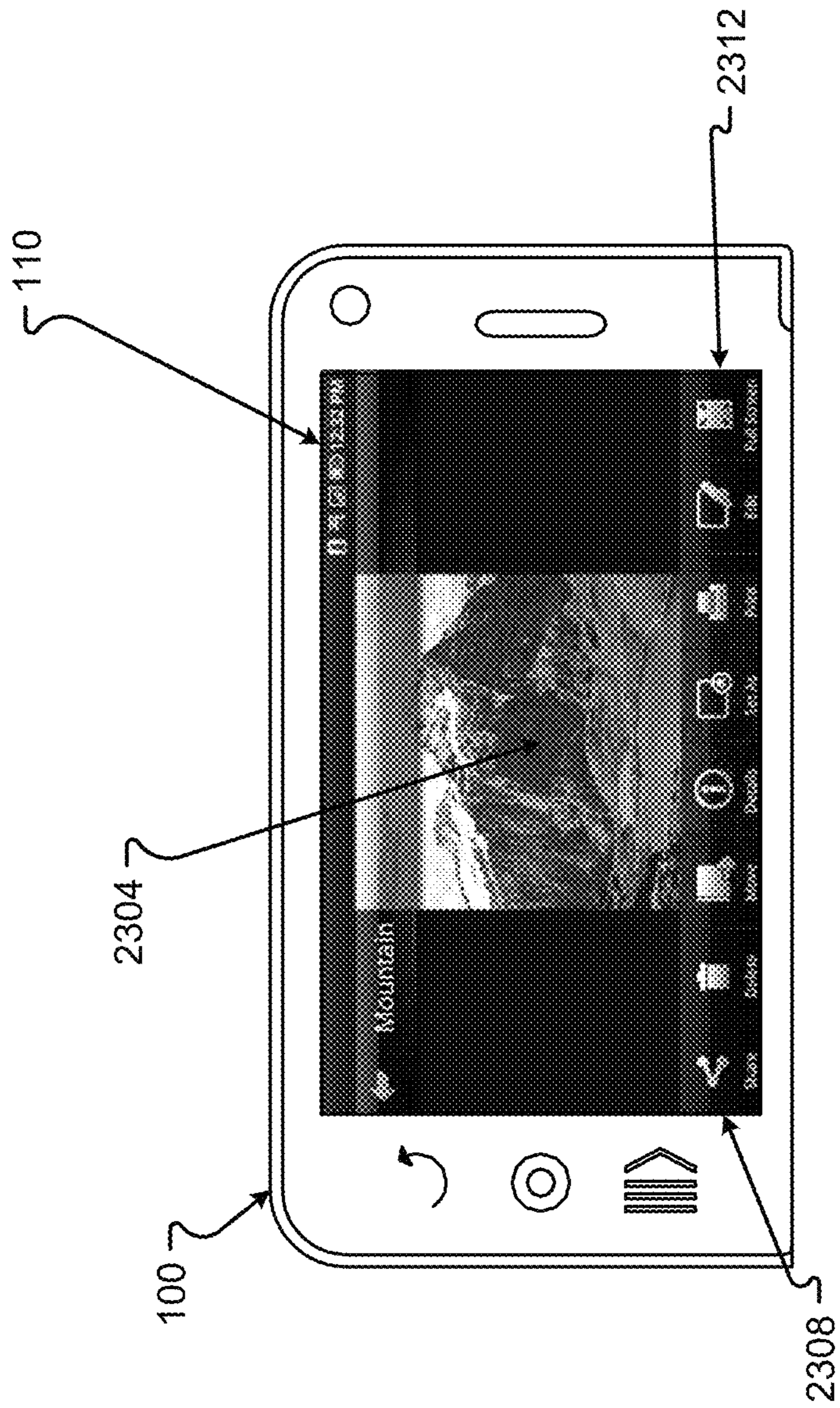


Fig. 23

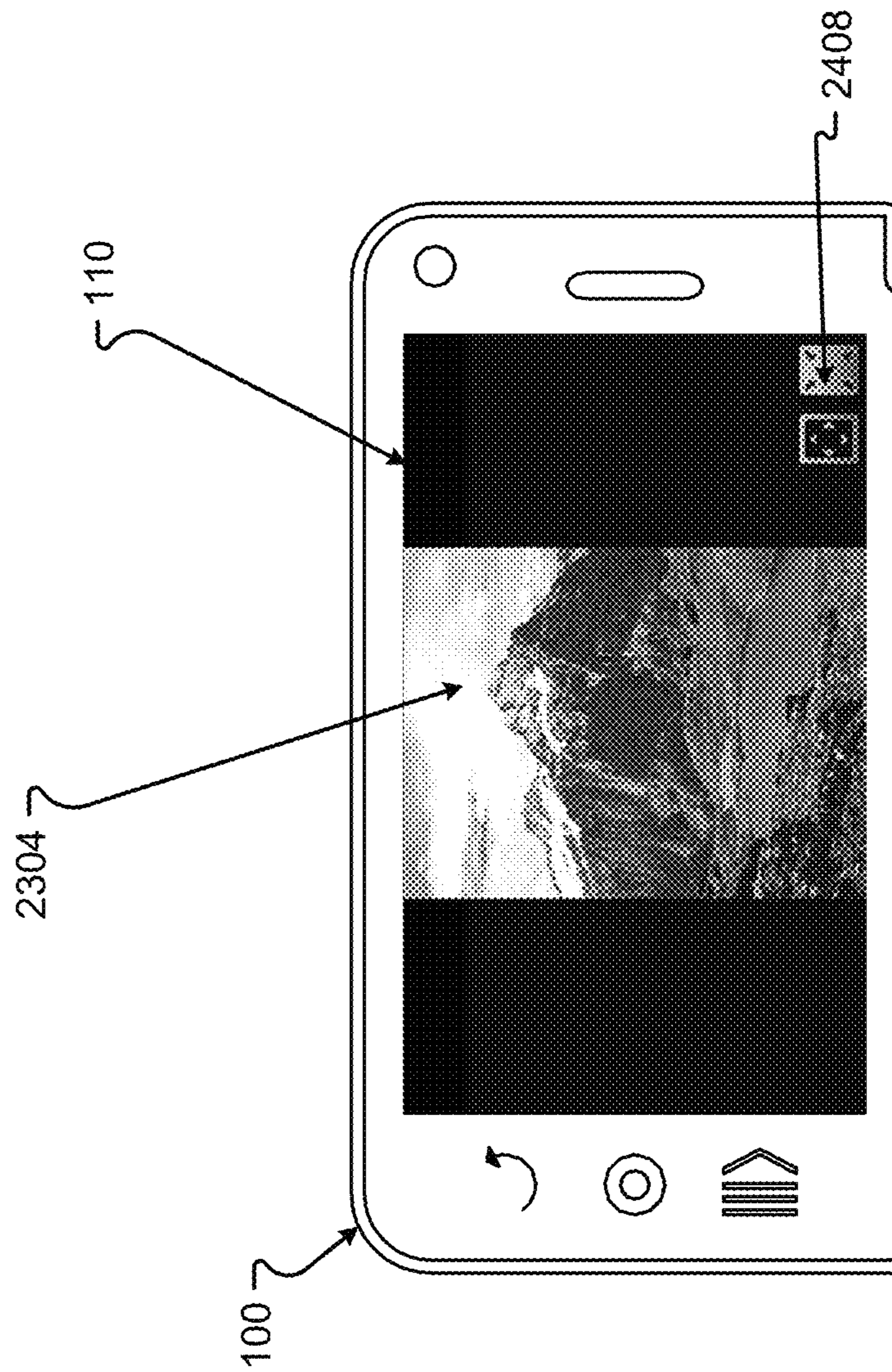


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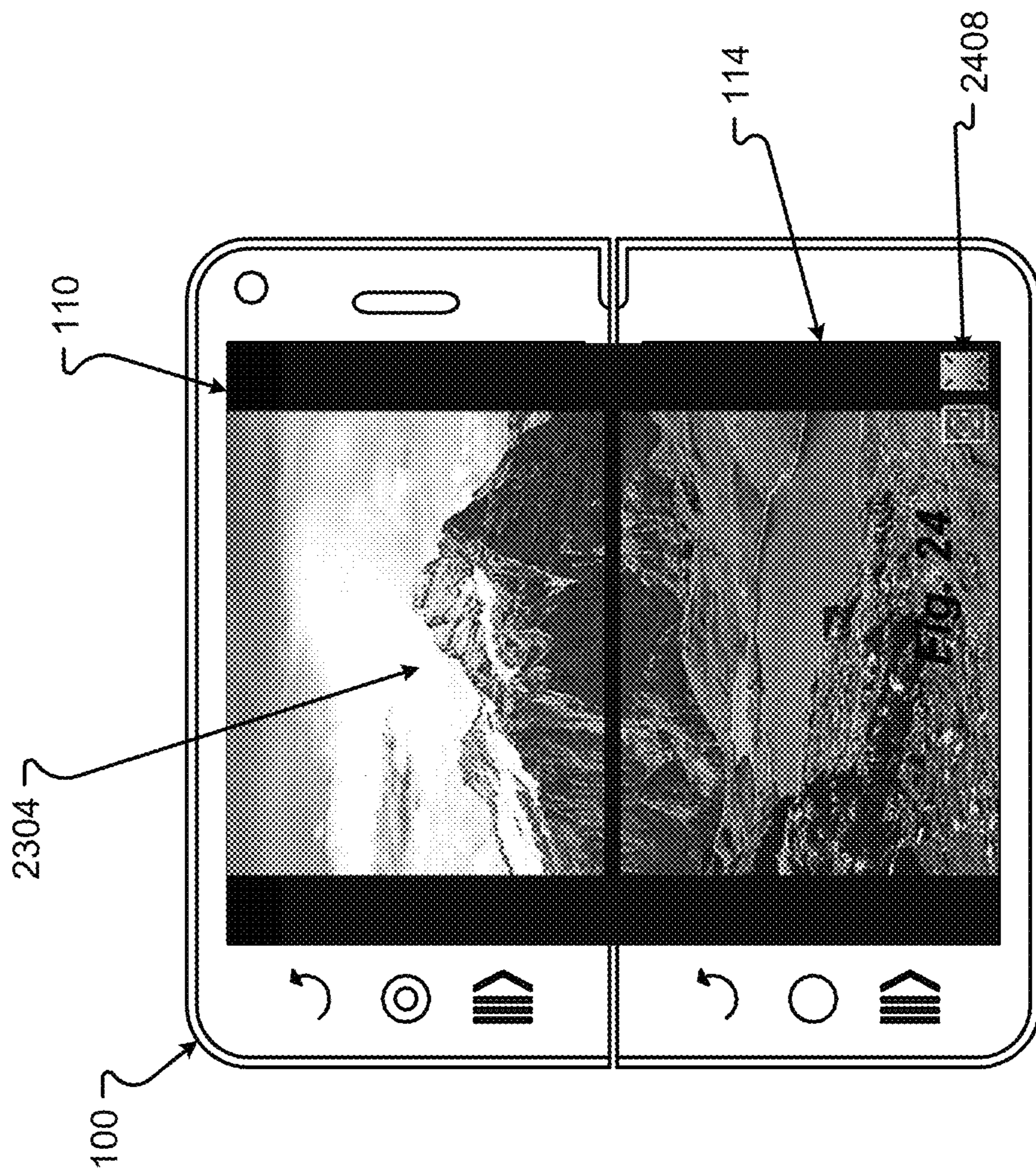


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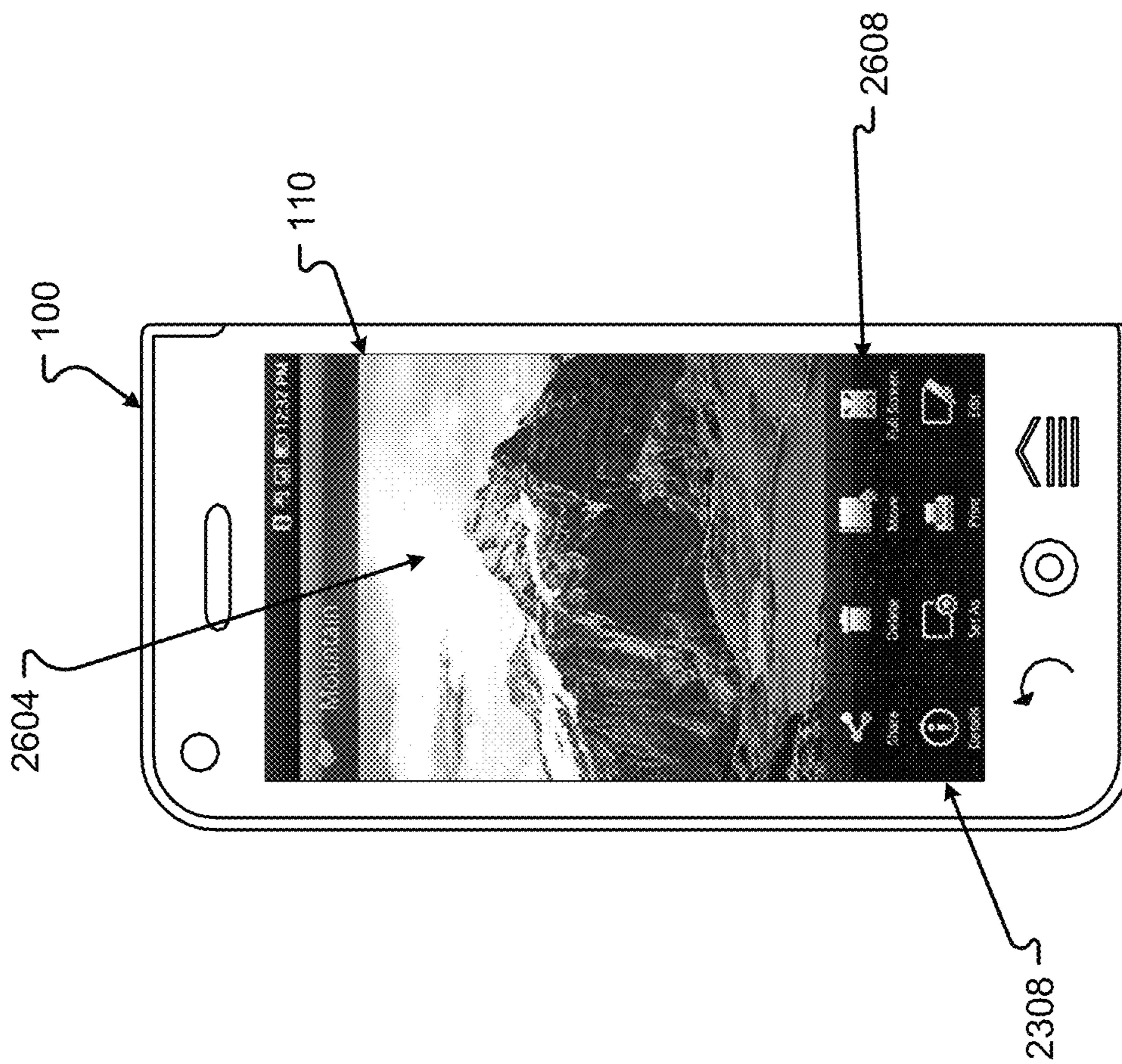


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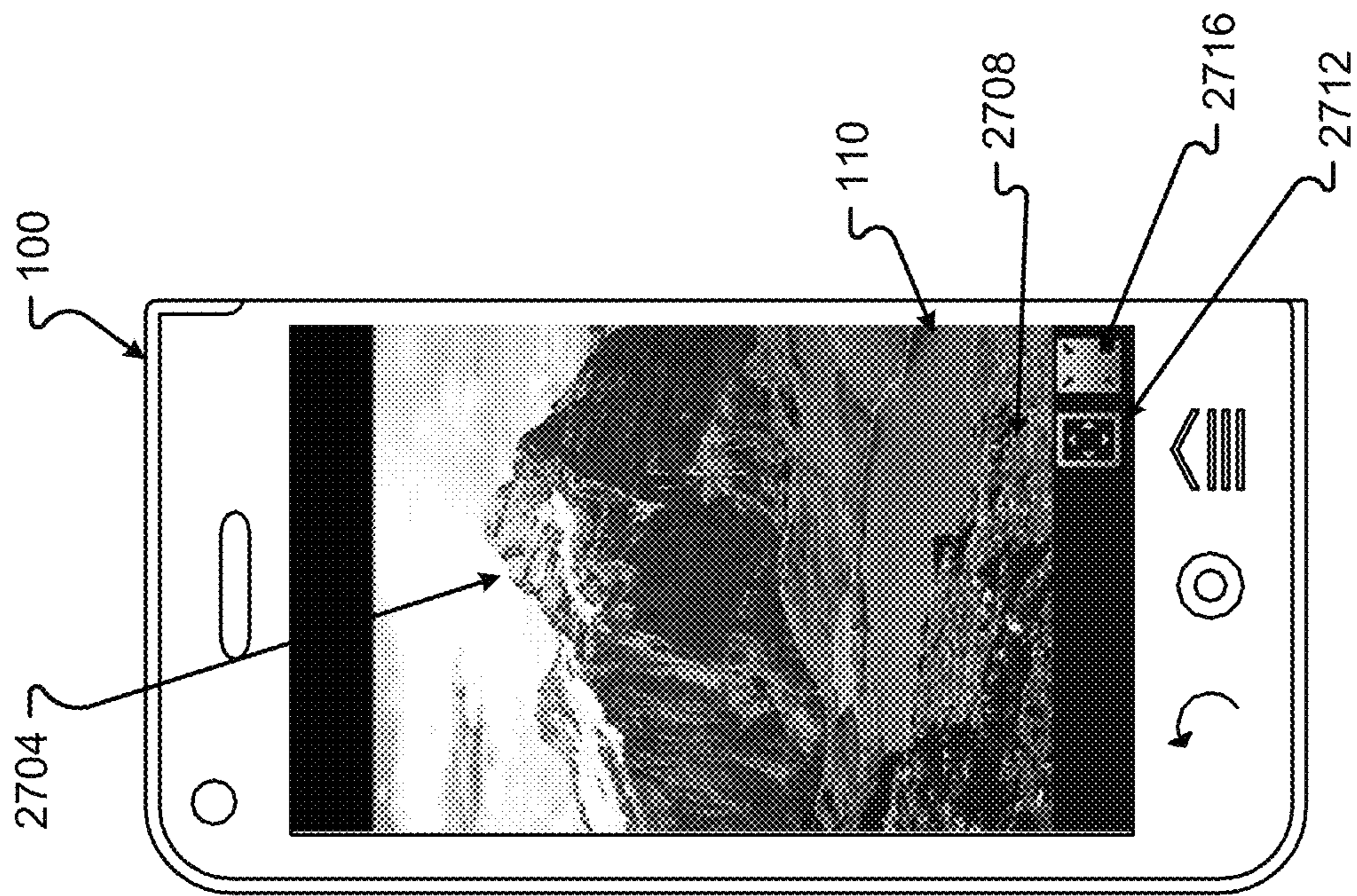


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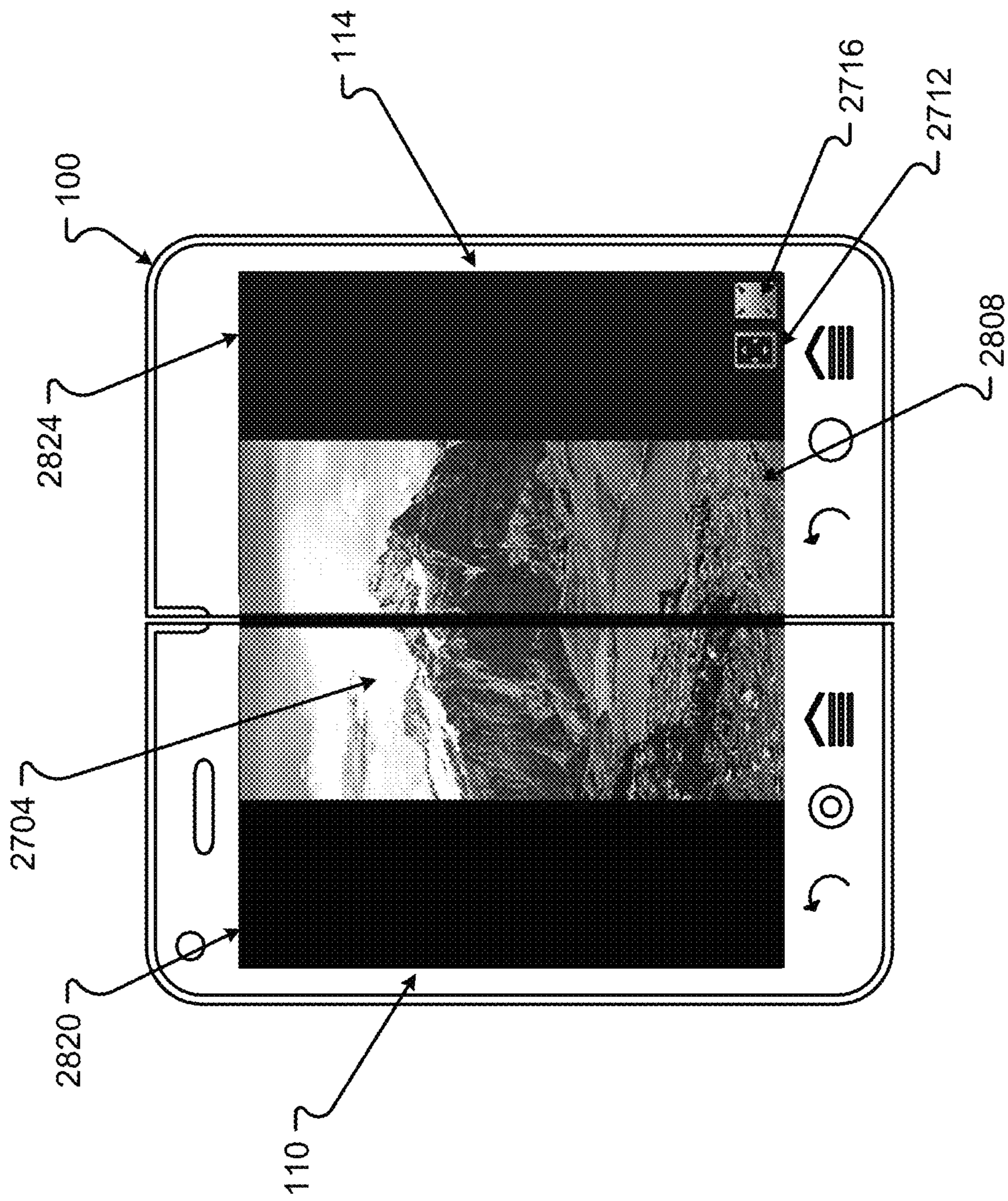


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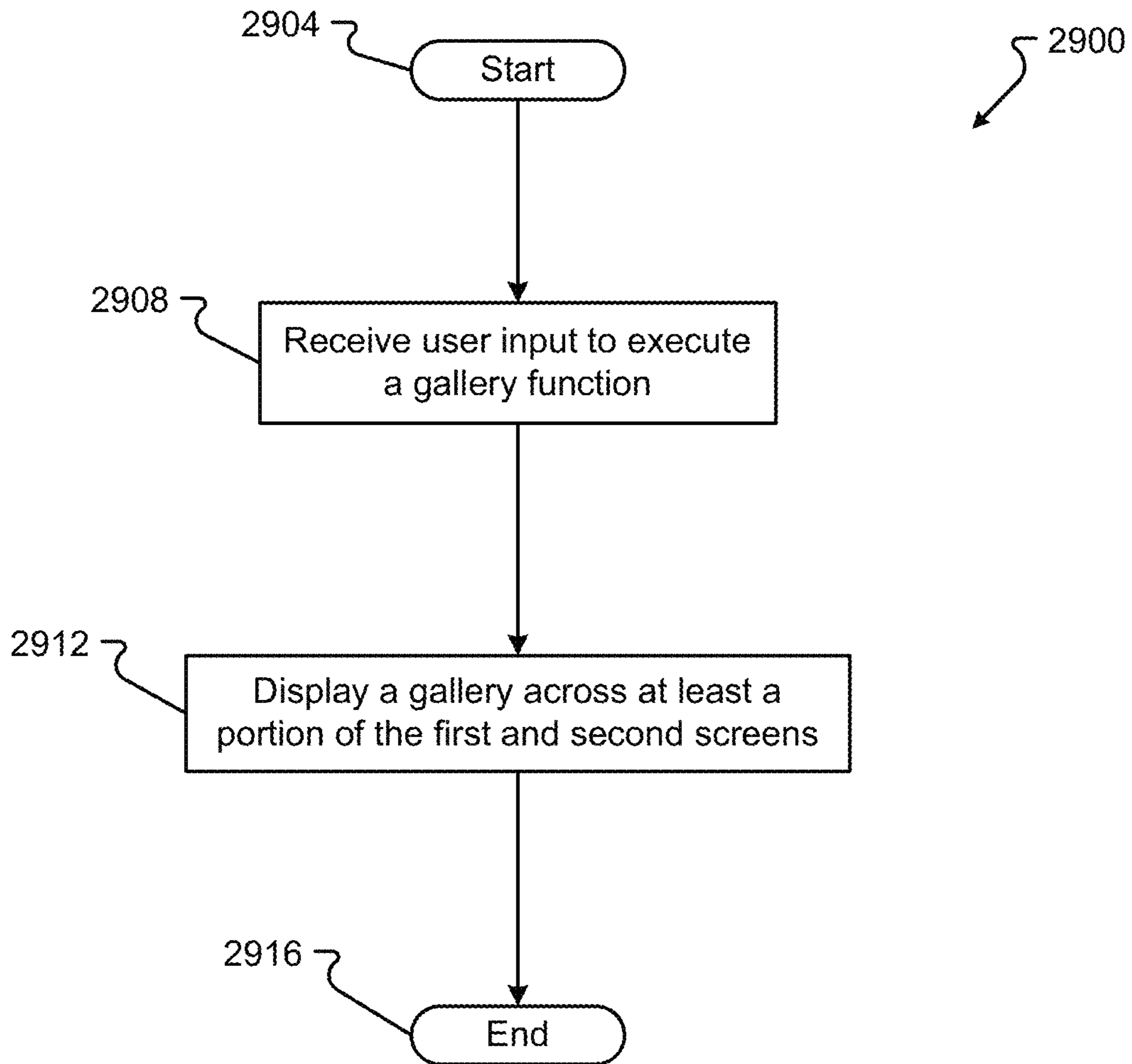
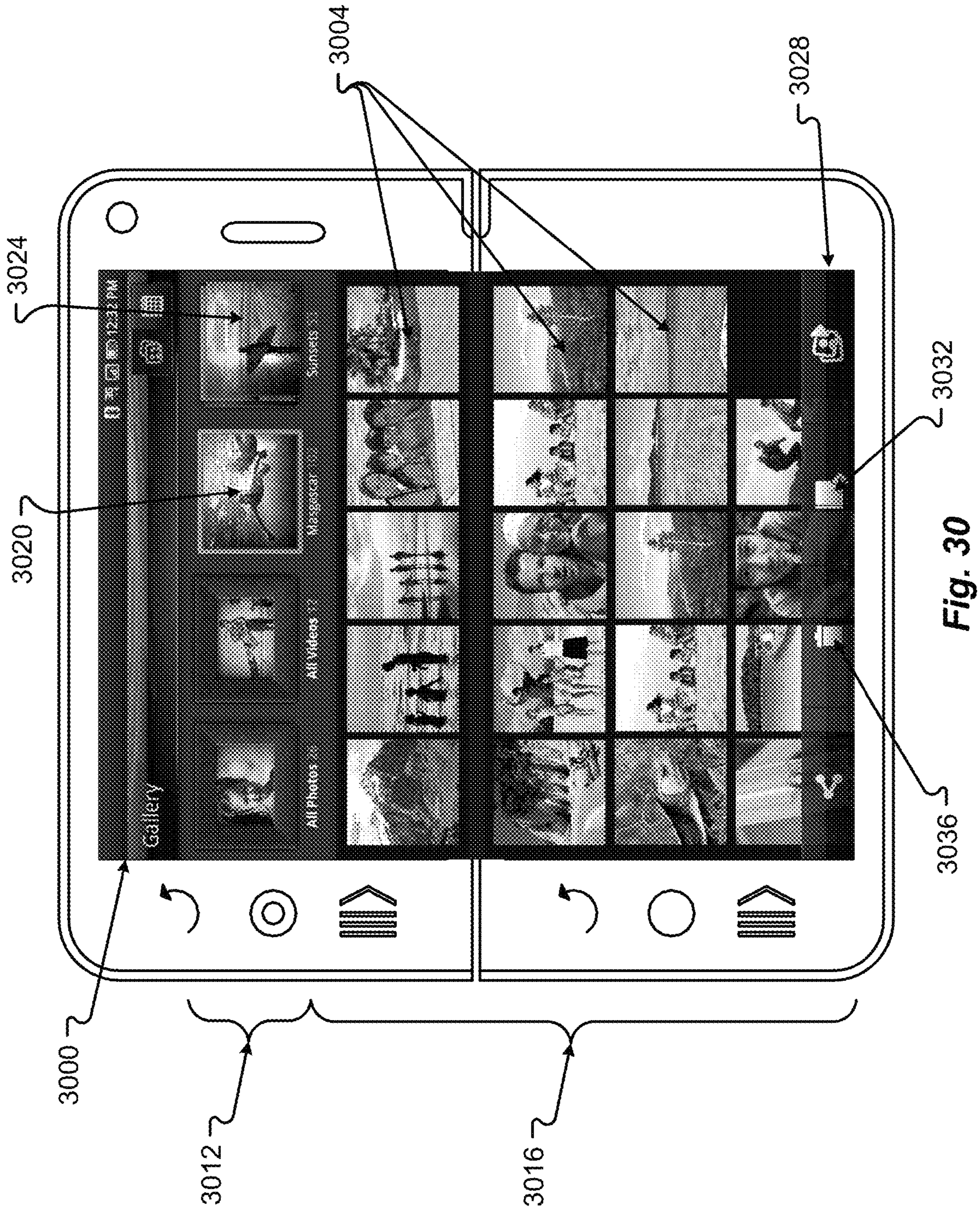


FIG. 29



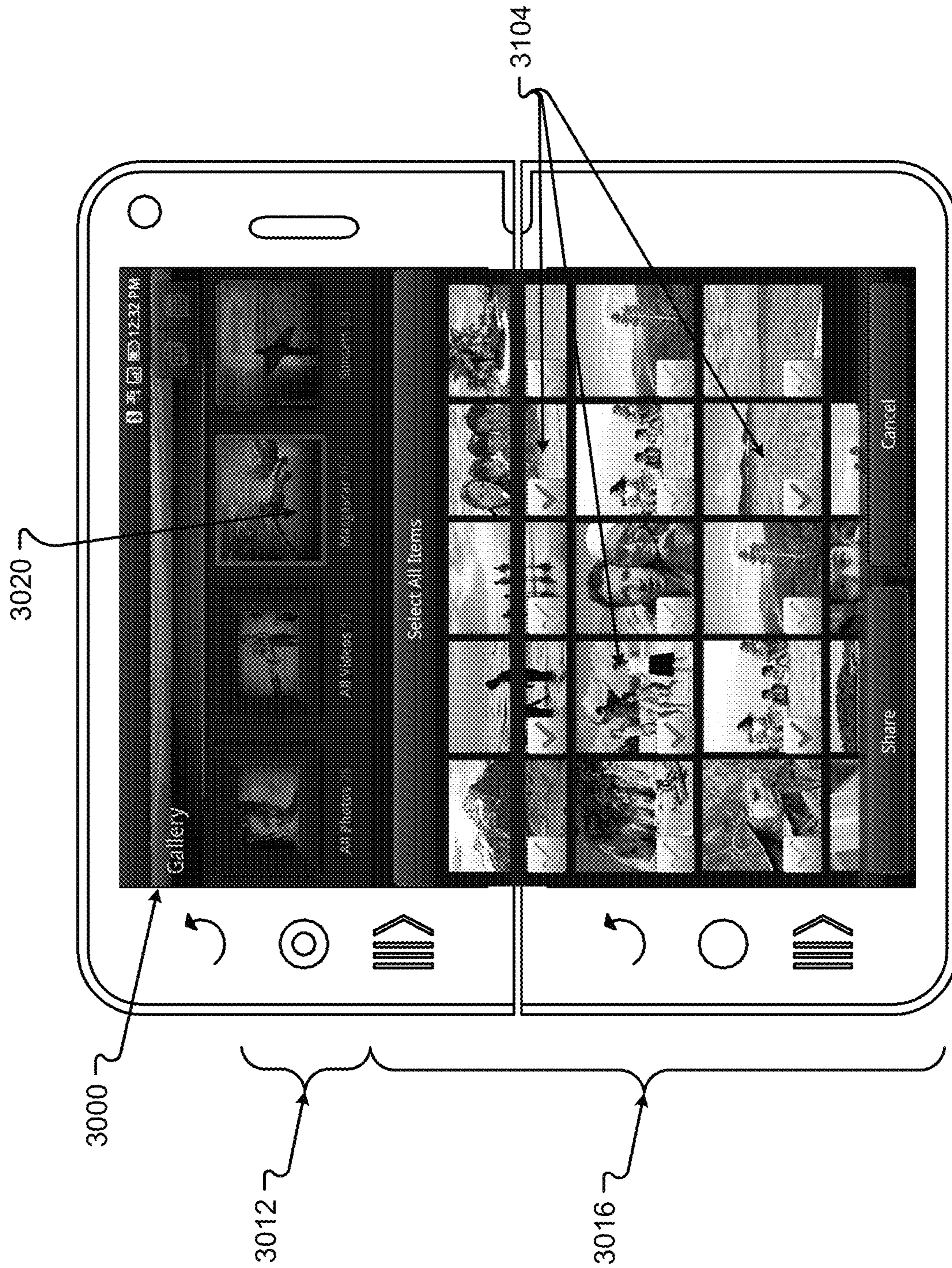


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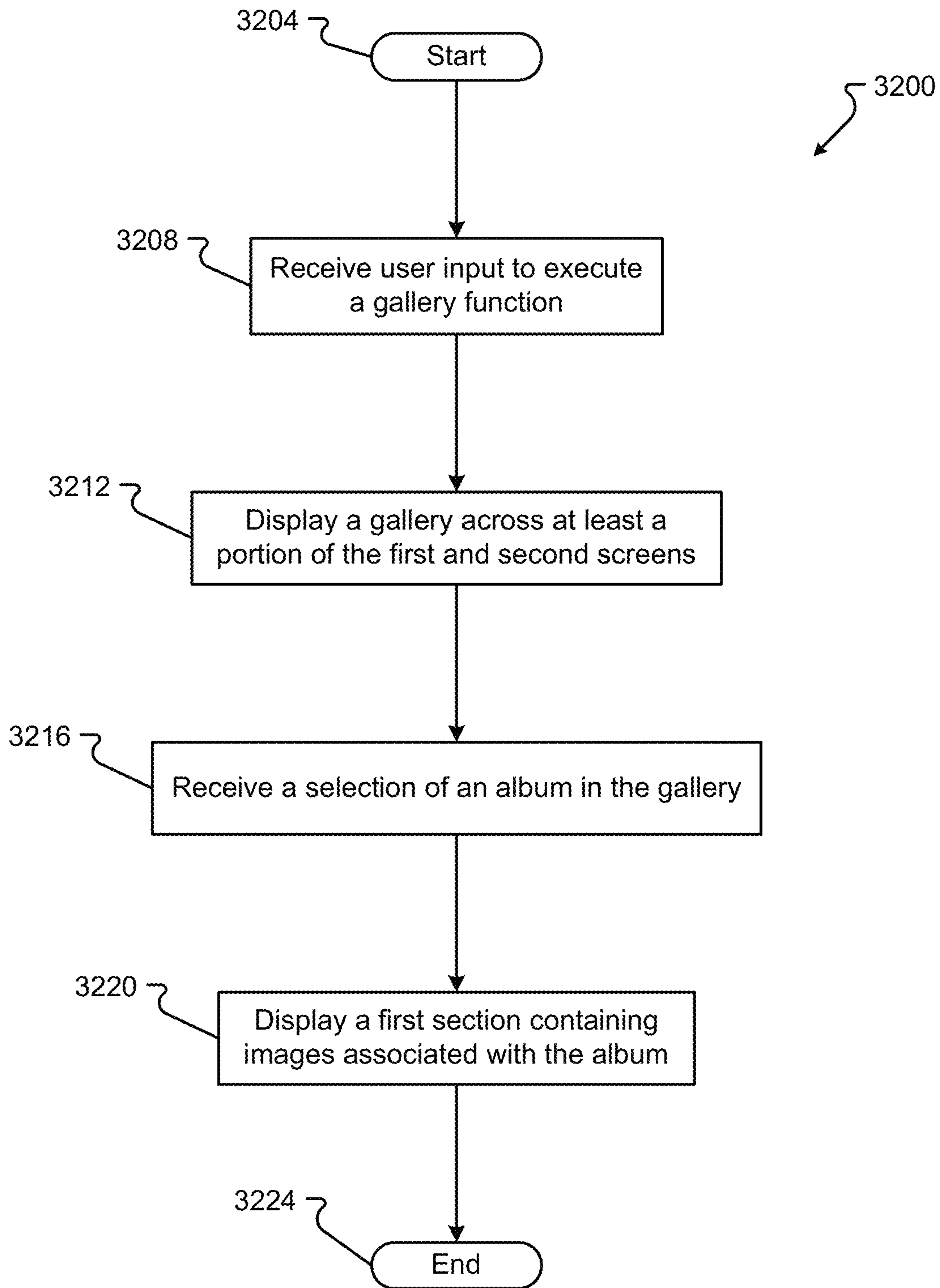


FIG. 32



Fig. 33

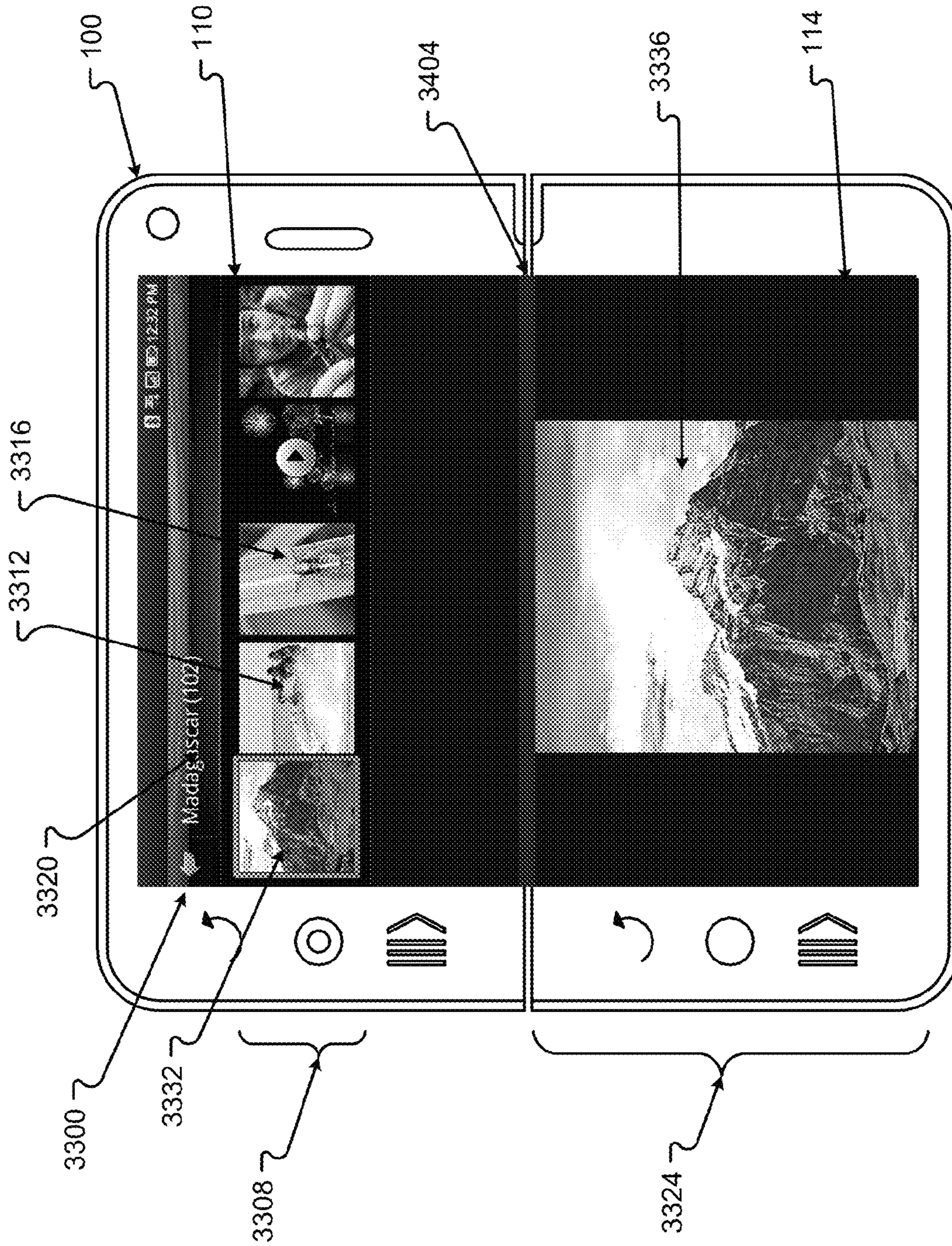


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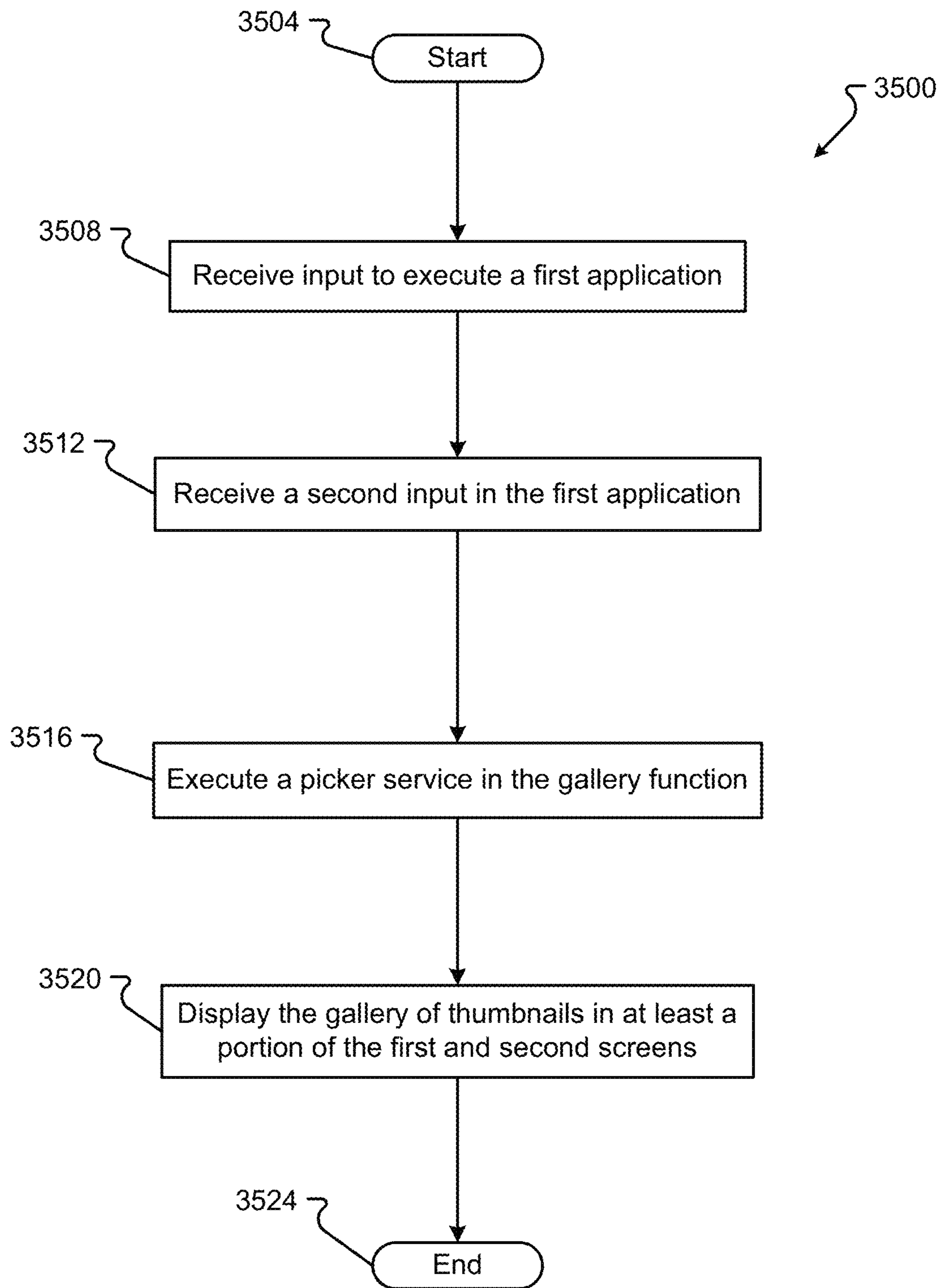


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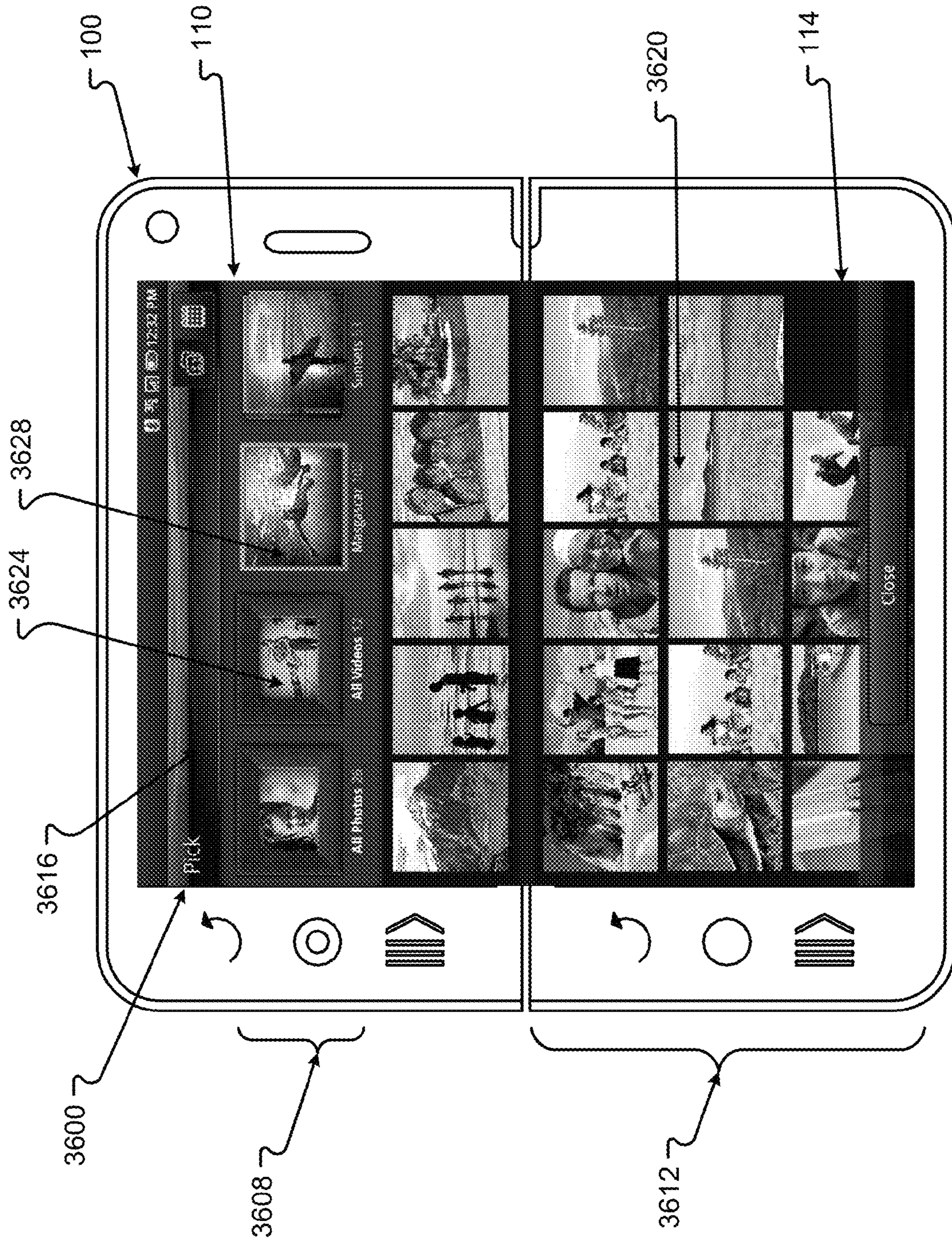


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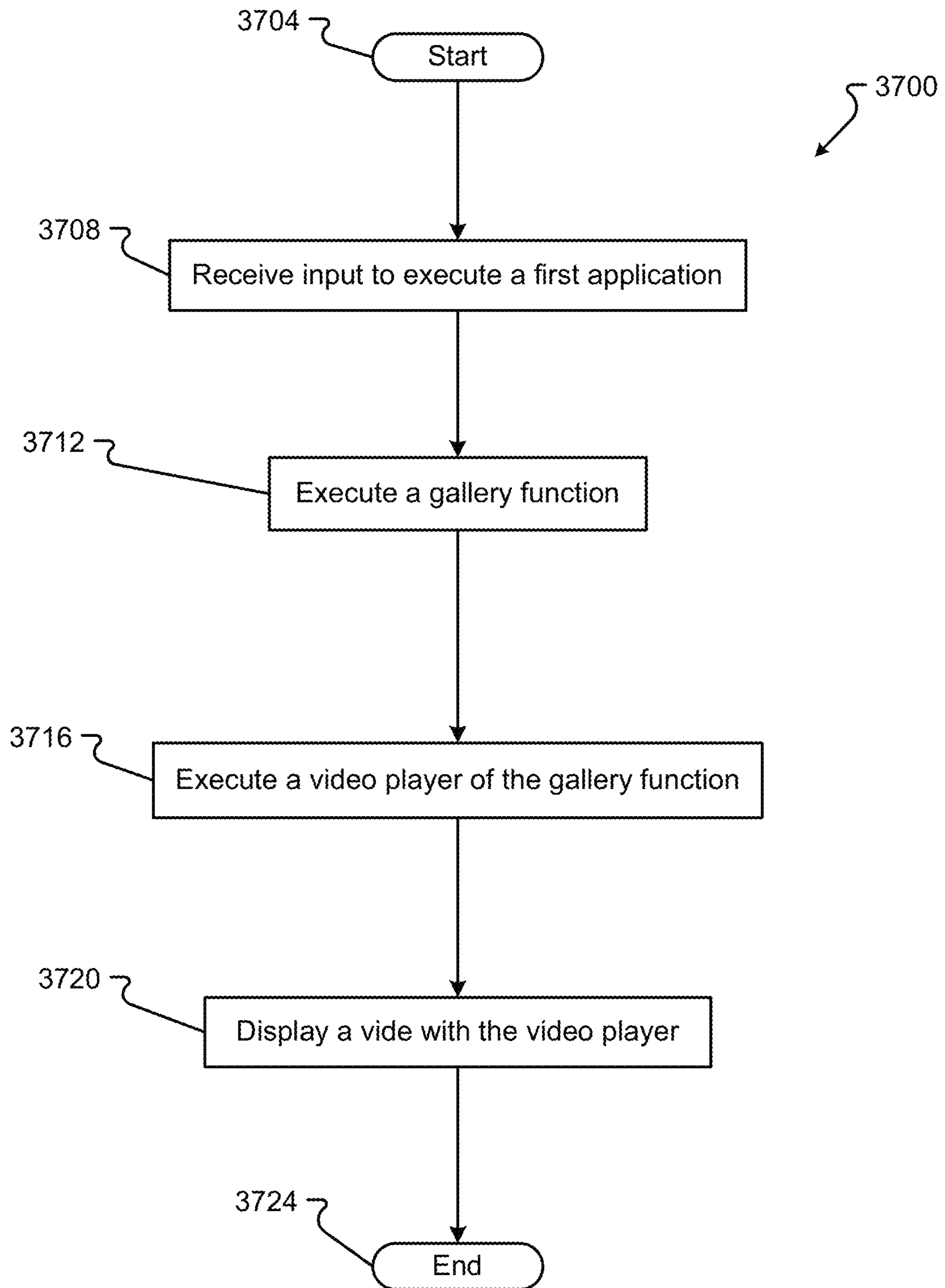


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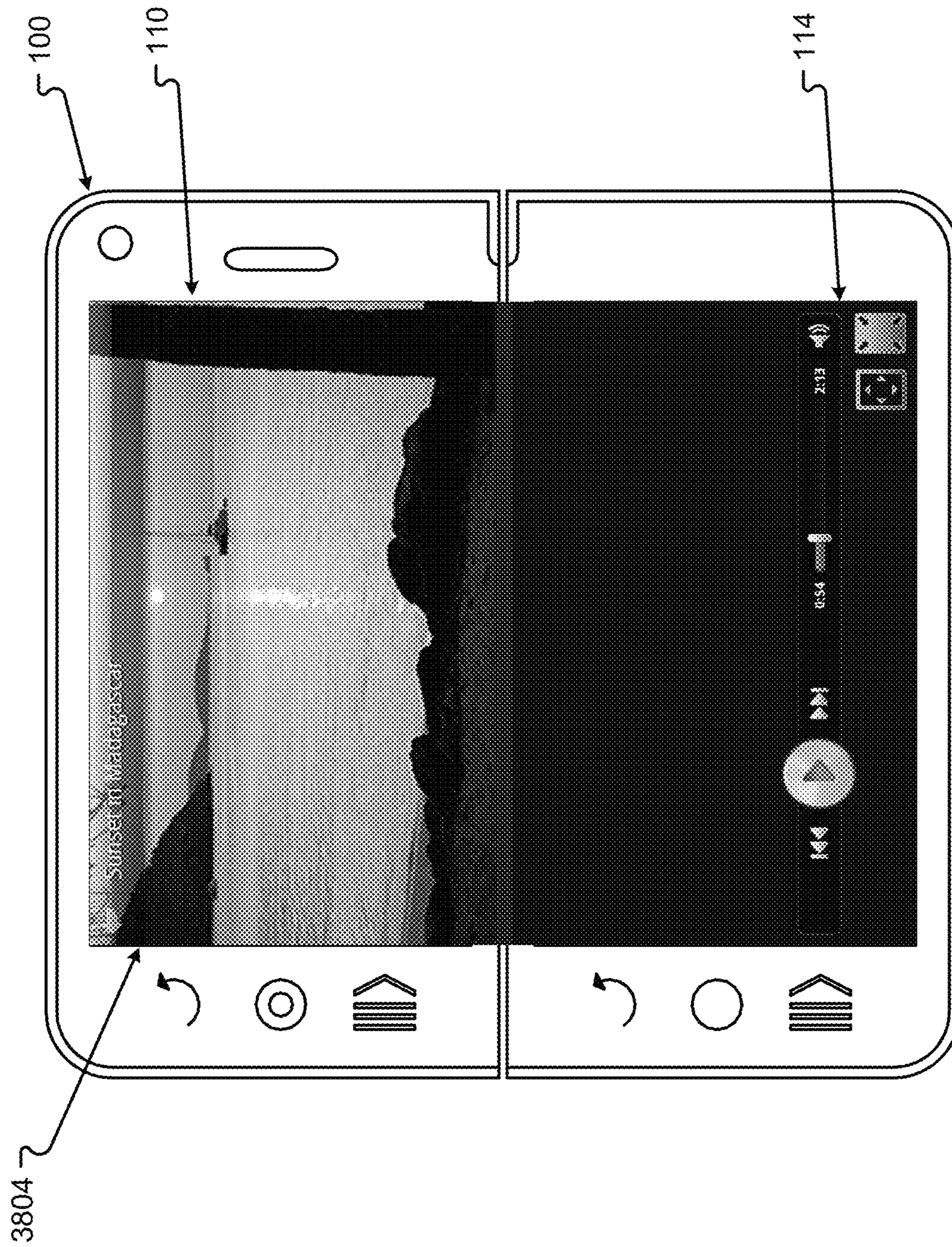


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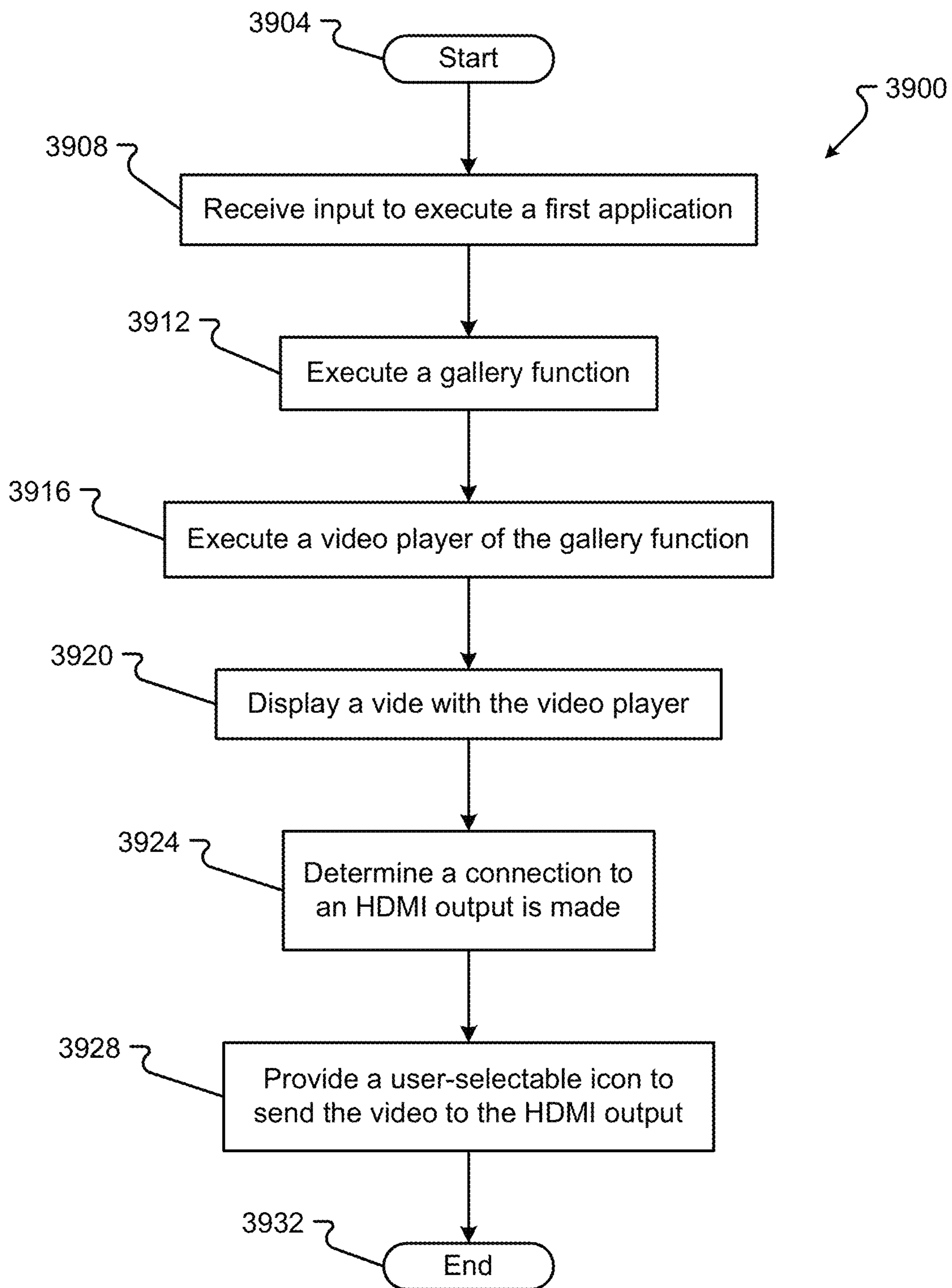


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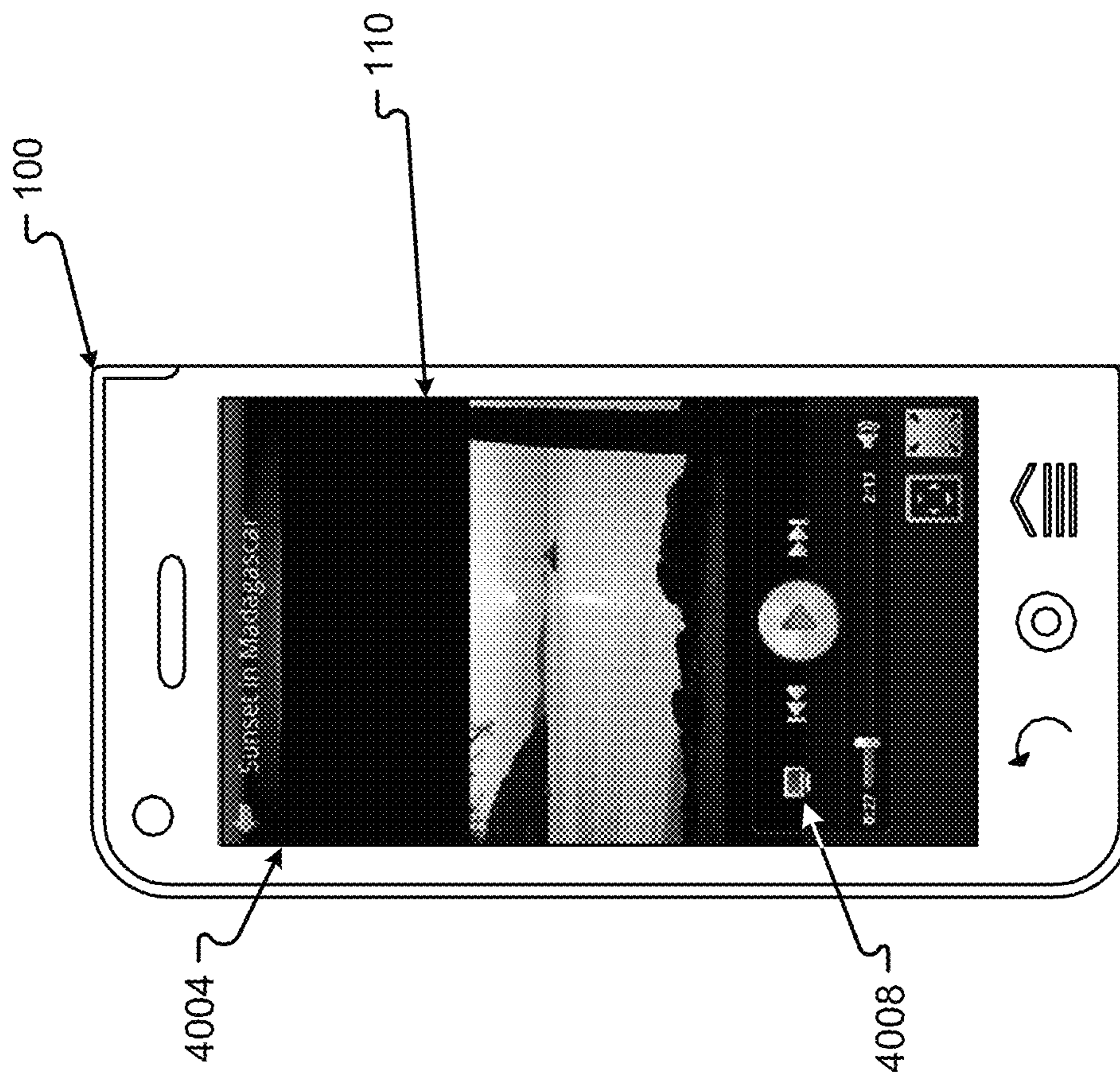


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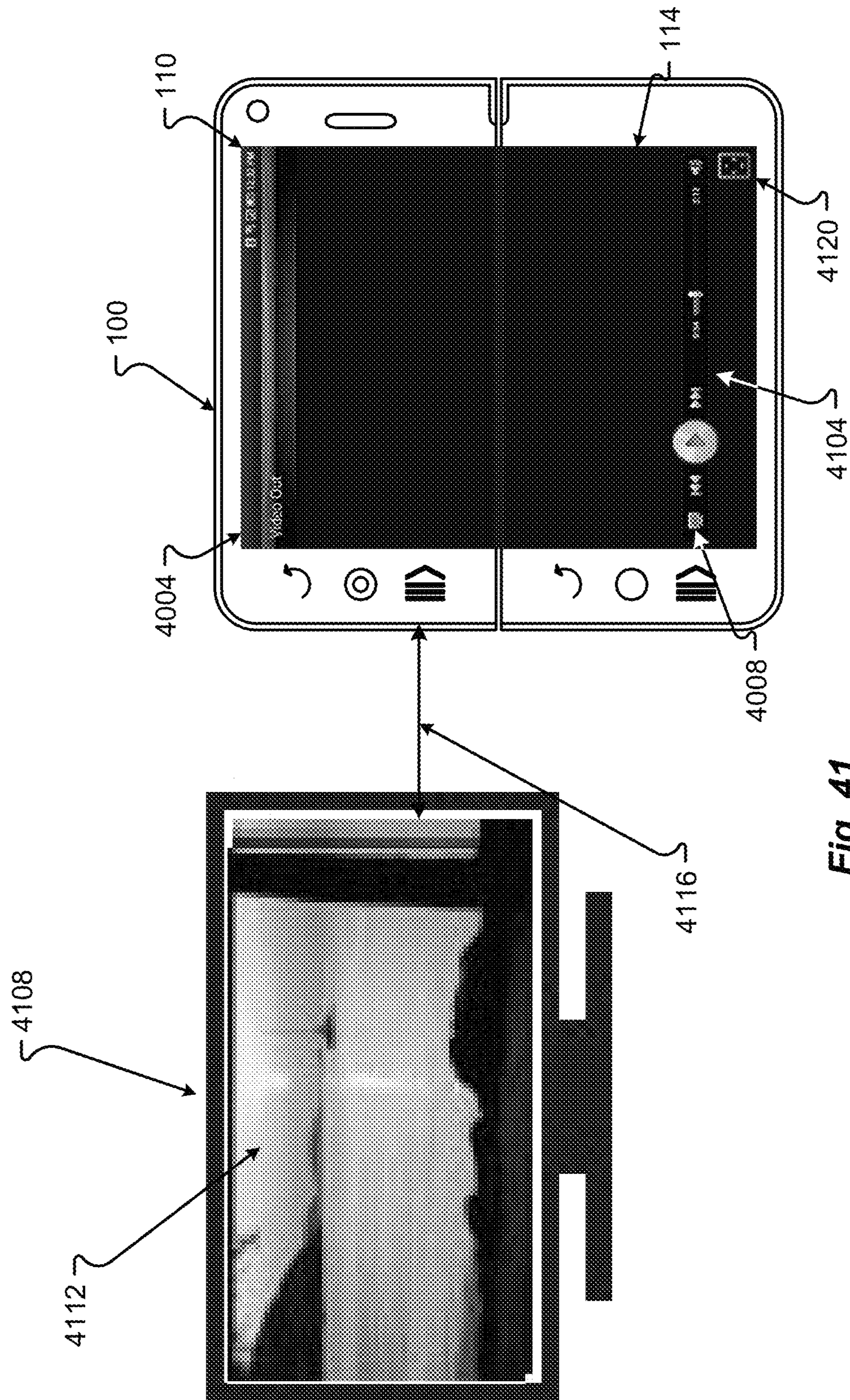


Fig. 41

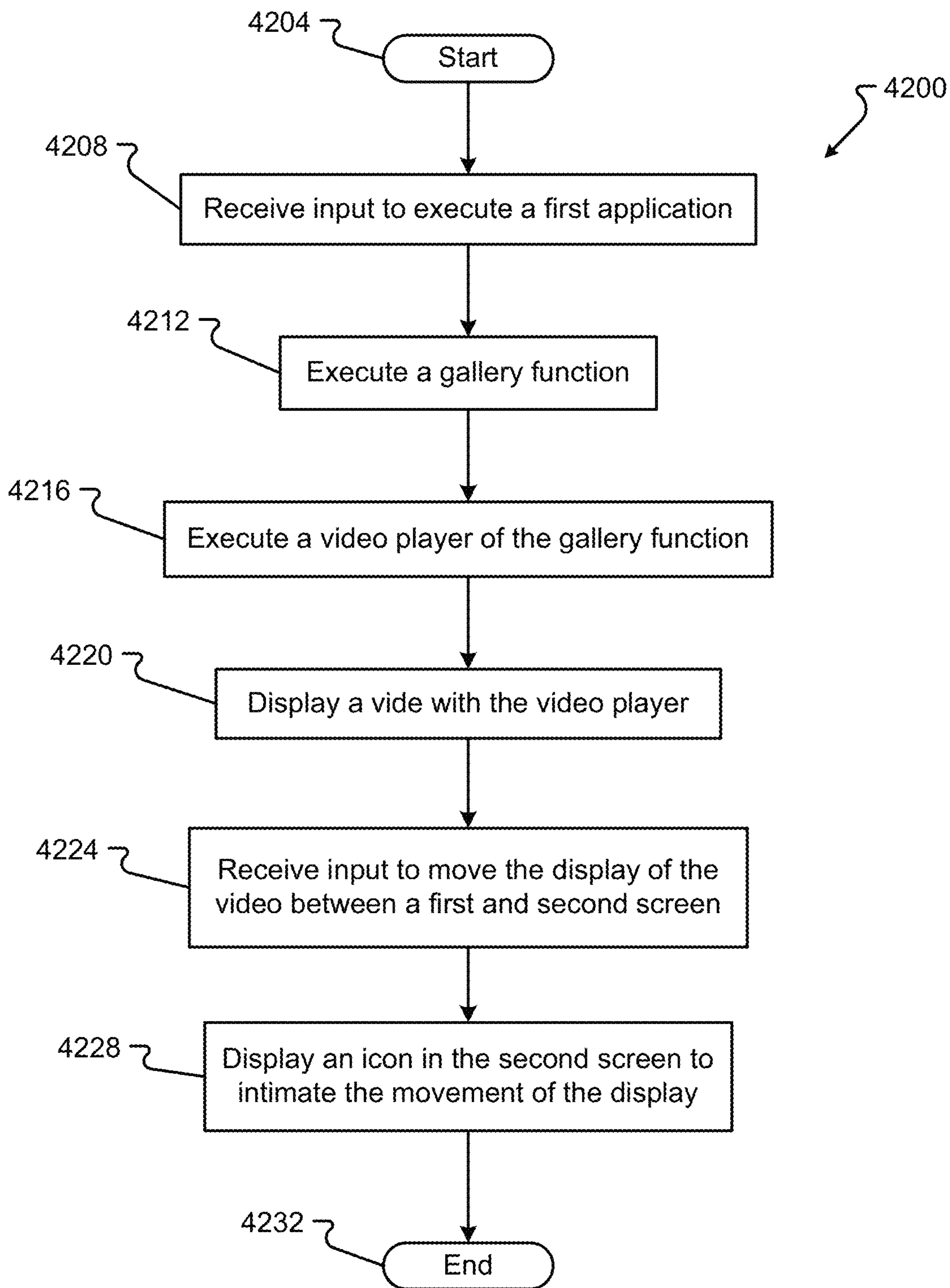


FIG. 42

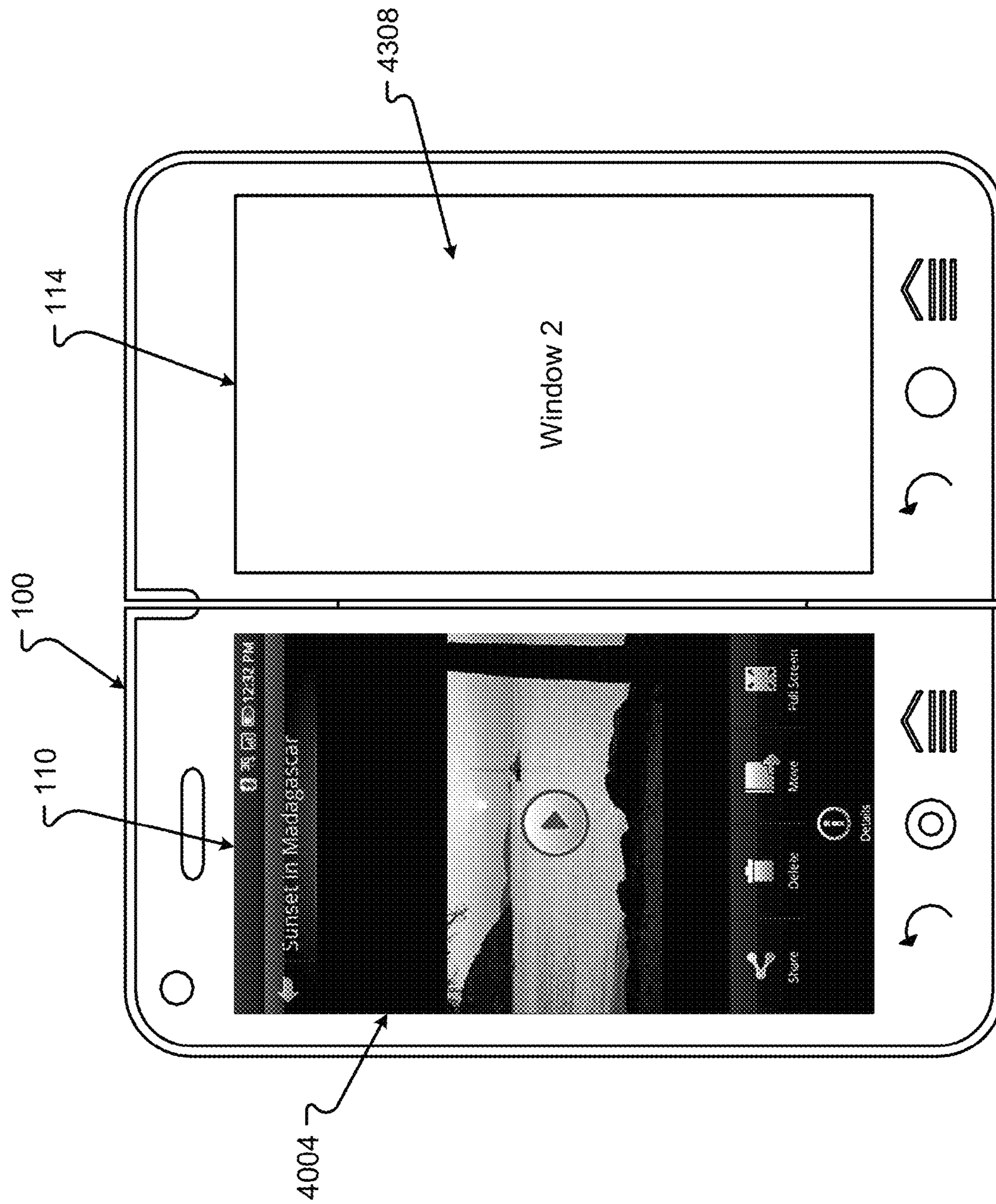


Fig. 43

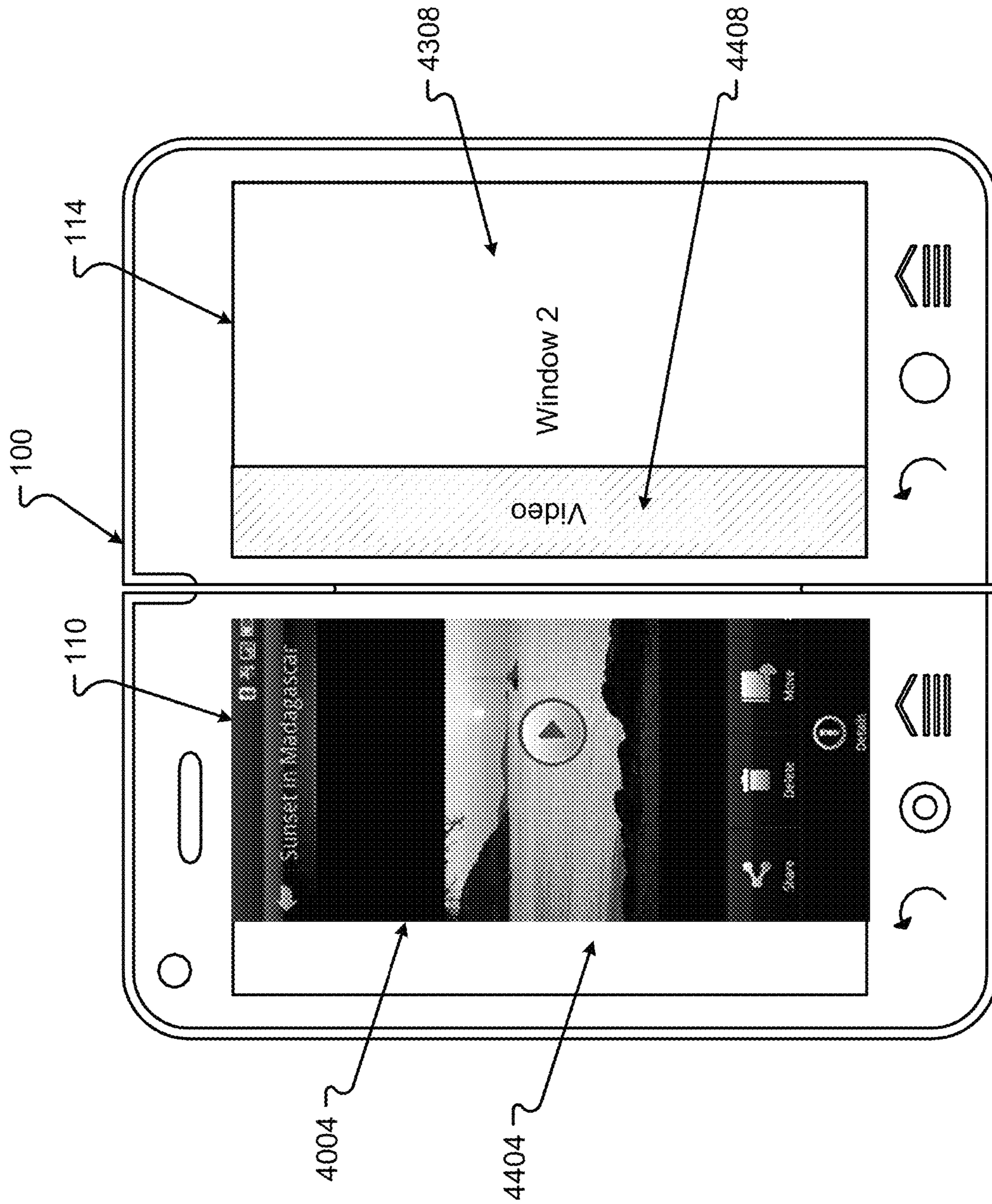


Fig. 44

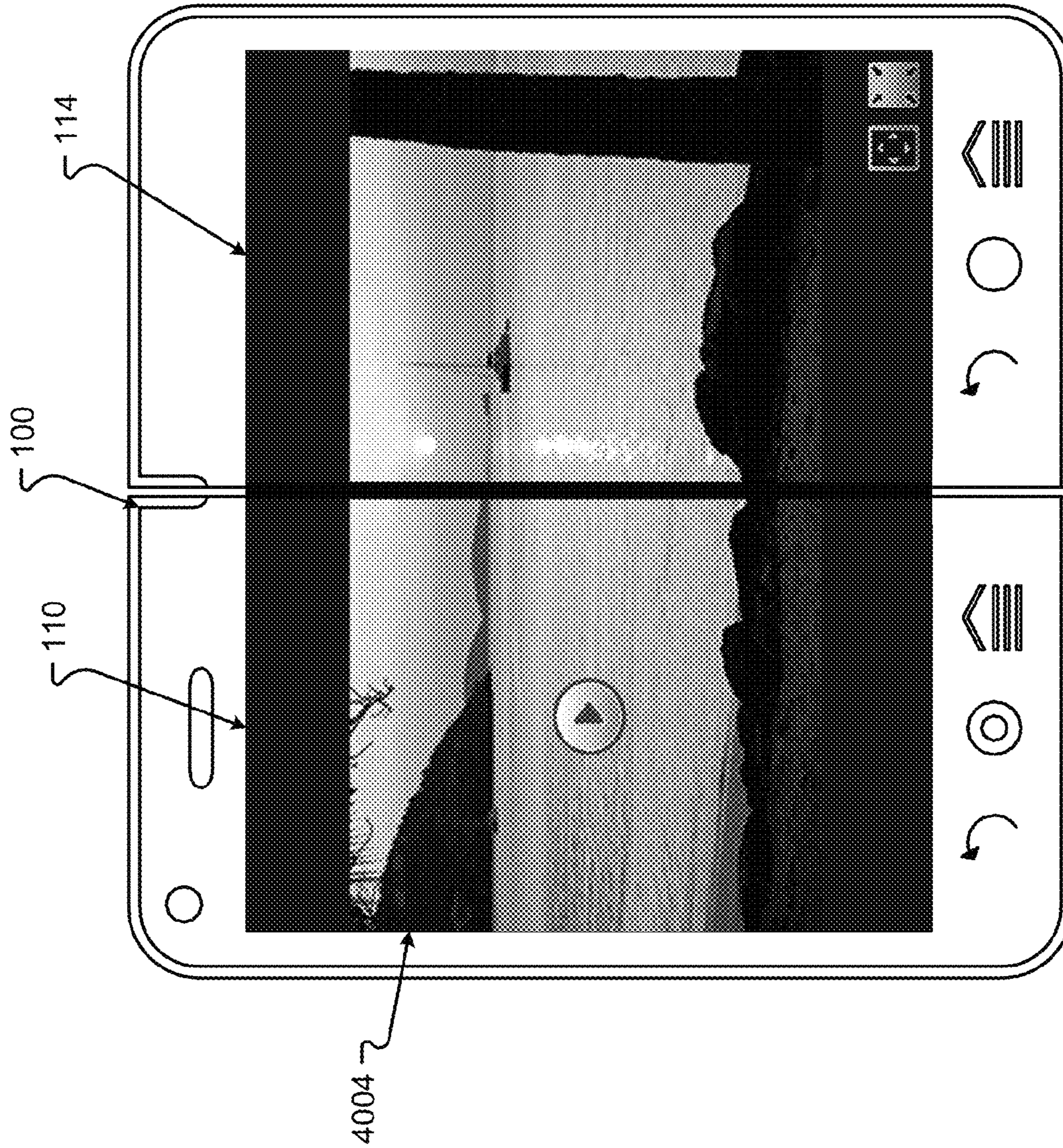


Fig. 45

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GALLERY OPERATIONS FOR A DEVICE IN
LANDSCAPE MODECROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED
APPLICATION

The present application claims the benefits of and priority, under 35 U.S.C. §119(e), to U.S. Provisional Application Ser. No. 61/539,884, filed Sep. 27, 2011, entitled "MOBILE DEVICE," which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety for all that it teaches and for all purposes.

BACKGROUND

A substantial number of handheld computing devices, such as cellular phones, tablets, and E-Readers, make use of a touch screen display not only to deliver display information to the user but also to receive inputs from user interface commands. While touch screen displays may increase the configurability of the handheld device and provide a wide variety of user interface options, this flexibility typically comes at a price. The dual use of the touch screen to provide content and receive user commands, while flexible for the user, may obfuscate the display and cause visual clutter, thereby leading to user frustration and loss of productivity.

The small form factor of handheld computing devices requires a careful balancing between the displayed graphics and the area provided for receiving inputs. On the one hand, the small display constrains the display space, which may increase the difficulty of interpreting actions or results. On the other, a virtual keypad or other user interface scheme is superimposed on or positioned adjacent to an executing application, requiring the application to be squeezed into an even smaller portion of the display.

This balancing act is particularly difficult for single display touch screen devices. Single display touch screen devices are crippled by their limited screen space. When users are entering information into the device, through the single display, the ability to interpret information in the display can be severely hampered, particularly when a complex interaction between display and interface is required.

SUMMARY

There is a need for a dual multi-display handheld computing device that provides for enhanced power and/or versatility compared to conventional single display handheld computing devices. These and other needs are addressed by the various aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations of the present disclosure. Also, while the disclosure is presented in terms of exemplary embodiments, it should be appreciated that individual aspects of the disclosure can be separately claimed.

Additionally, it is desirable to have the multi-display device that can use either display when the device is closed. Thus, the user, based on the user's desires, can take better advantage of the phones capabilities. The device can have at least two screens that face in opposite directions when closed. A primary screen may be used for most applications. However, the user, or by some other input or event, can change the display to a secondary screen. Thus, the display may be provided on the opposite screen facing the opposite direction.

The device described herein can include at least first and second screens. In some circumstances, the device can receive user interface input to execute a gallery function. The gallery function can adapt to different device configurations to provide a user interface where a user can view, manage, select different pictures or videos.

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The phrases "at least one", "one or more", and "and/or" are open-ended expressions that are both conjunctive and disjunctive in operation. For example, each of the expressions "at least one of A, B and C", "at least one of A, B, or C", "one or more of A, B, and C", "one or more of A, B, or C" and "A, B, and/or C" means A alone, B alone, C alone, A and B together, A and C together, B and C together, or A, B and C together.

The term "a" or "an" entity refers to one or more of that entity. As such, the terms "a" (or "an"), "one or more" and "at least one" can be used interchangeably herein. It is also to be noted that the terms "comprising", "including", and "having" can be used interchangeably.

The term "automatic" and variations thereof, as used herein, refers to any process or operation done without material human input when the process or operation is performed. However, a process or operation can be automatic, even though performance of the process or operation uses material or immaterial human input, if the input is received before performance of the process or operation. Human input is deemed to be material if such input influences how the process or operation will be performed. Human input that consents to the performance of the process or operation is not deemed to be "material".

The term "computer-readable medium" as used herein refers to any tangible storage and/or transmission medium that participate in providing instructions to a processor for execution. Such a medium may take many forms, including but not limited to, non-volatile media, volatile media, and transmission media. Non-volatile media includes, for example, NVRAM, or magnetic or optical disks. Volatile media includes dynamic memory, such as main memory. Common forms of computer-readable media include, for example, a floppy disk, a flexible disk, hard disk, magnetic tape, or any other magnetic medium, magneto-optical medium, a CD-ROM, any other optical medium, punch cards, paper tape, any other physical medium with patterns of holes, a RAM, a PROM, and EPROM, a FLASH-EPROM, a solid state medium like a memory card, any other memory chip or cartridge, a carrier wave as described hereinafter, or any other medium from which a computer can read. A digital file attachment to e-mail or other self-contained information archive or set of archives is considered a distribution medium equivalent to a tangible storage medium. When the computer-readable media is configured as a database, it is to be understood that the database may be any type of database, such as relational, hierarchical, object-oriented, and/or the like. Accordingly, the disclosure is considered to include a tangible storage medium or distribution medium and prior art-recognized equivalents and successor media, in which the software implementations of the present disclosure are stored.

The term "desktop" refers to a metaphor used to portray systems. A desktop is generally considered a "surface" that typically includes pictures, called icons, widgets, folders, etc. that can activate show applications, windows, cabinets, files, folders, documents, and other graphical items. The icons are generally selectable to initiate a task through user interface interaction to allow a user to execute applications or conduct other operations.

The term "screen," "touch screen," or "touchscreen" refers to a physical structure that includes one or more hardware components that provide the device with the ability to render a user interface and/or receive user input. A screen can encompass any combination of gesture capture region, a touch sensitive display, and/or a configurable area. The device can have one or more physical screens embedded in the hardware. However a screen may also include an external periph-

eral device that may be attached and detached from the device. In embodiments, multiple external devices may be attached to the device. Thus, in embodiments, the screen can enable the user to interact with the device by touching areas on the screen and provides information to a user through a display. The touch screen may sense user contact in a number of different ways, such as by a change in an electrical parameter (e.g., resistance or capacitance), acoustic wave variations, infrared radiation proximity detection, light variation detection, and the like. In a resistive touch screen, for example, normally separated conductive and resistive metallic layers in the screen pass an electrical current. When a user touches the screen, the two layers make contact in the contacted location, whereby a change in electrical field is noted and the coordinates of the contacted location calculated. In a capacitive touch screen, a capacitive layer stores electrical charge, which is discharged to the user upon contact with the touch screen, causing a decrease in the charge of the capacitive layer. The decrease is measured, and the contacted location coordinates determined. In a surface acoustic wave touch screen, an acoustic wave is transmitted through the screen, and the acoustic wave is disturbed by user contact. A receiving transducer detects the user contact instance and determines the contacted location coordinates.

The term “display” refers to a portion of one or more screens used to display the output of a computer to a user. A display may be a single-screen display or a multi-screen display, referred to as a composite display. A composite display can encompass the touch sensitive display of one or more screens. A single physical screen can include multiple displays that are managed as separate logical displays. Thus, different content can be displayed on the separate displays although part of the same physical screen.

The term “displayed image” refers to an image produced on the display. A typical displayed image is a window or desktop. The displayed image may occupy all or a portion of the display.

The term “display orientation” refers to the way in which a rectangular display is oriented by a user for viewing. The two most common types of display orientation are portrait and landscape. In landscape mode, the display is oriented such that the width of the display is greater than the height of the display (such as a 4:3 ratio, which is 4 units wide and 3 units tall, or a 16:9 ratio, which is 16 units wide and 9 units tall). Stated differently, the longer dimension of the display is oriented substantially horizontal in landscape mode while the shorter dimension of the display is oriented substantially vertical. In the portrait mode, by contrast, the display is oriented such that the width of the display is less than the height of the display. Stated differently, the shorter dimension of the display is oriented substantially horizontal in the portrait mode while the longer dimension of the display is oriented substantially vertical.

The term “composite display” refers to a logical structure that defines a display that can encompass one or more screens. A multi-screen display can be associated with a composite display that encompasses all the screens. The composite display can have different display characteristics based on the various orientations of the device.

The term “gesture” refers to a user action that expresses an intended idea, action, meaning, result, and/or outcome. The user action can include manipulating a device (e.g., opening or closing a device, changing a device orientation, moving a trackball or wheel, etc.), movement of a body part in relation to the device, movement of an implement or tool in relation to

the device, audio inputs, etc. A gesture may be made on a device (such as on the screen) or with the device to interact with the device.

The term “module” as used herein refers to any known or later developed hardware, software, firmware, artificial intelligence, fuzzy logic, or combination of hardware and software that is capable of performing the functionality associated with that element.

The term “gesture capture” refers to a sense or otherwise a detection of an instance and/or type of user gesture. The gesture capture can occur in one or more areas of the screen. A gesture region can be on the display, where it may be referred to as a touch sensitive display or off the display where it may be referred to as a gesture capture area.

A “multi-screen application” or “multiple-display application” refers to an application that is capable of multiple modes. The multi-screen application mode can include, but is not limited to, a single screen mode (where the application is displayed on a single screen) or a composite display mode (where the application is displayed on two or more screens). A multi-screen application can have different layouts optimized for the mode. Thus, the multi-screen application can have different layouts for a single screen or for a composite display that can encompass two or more screens. The different layouts may have different screen/display dimensions and/or configurations on which the user interfaces of the multi-screen applications can be rendered. The different layouts allow the application to optimize the application’s user interface for the type of display, e.g., single screen or multiple screens. In single screen mode, the multi-screen application may present one window pane of information. In a composite display mode, the multi-screen application may present multiple window panes of information or may provide a larger and a richer presentation because there is more space for the display contents. The multi-screen applications may be designed to adapt dynamically to changes in the device and the mode depending on which display (single or composite) the system assigns to the multi-screen application. In alternative embodiments, the user can use a gesture to request the application transition to a different mode, and, if a display is available for the requested mode, the device can allow the application to move to that display and transition modes.

A “single-screen application” refers to an application that is capable of single screen mode. Thus, the single-screen application can produce only one window and may not be capable of different modes or different display dimensions. A single-screen application may not be capable of the several modes discussed with the multi-screen application.

The term “window” refers to a, typically rectangular, displayed image on at least part of a display that contains or provides content different from the rest of the screen. The window may obscure the desktop.

The terms “determine”, “calculate” and “compute,” and variations thereof, as used herein, are used interchangeably and include any type of methodology, process, mathematical operation or technique.

It shall be understood that the term “means” as used herein shall be given its broadest possible interpretation in accordance with 35 U.S.C., Section 112, Paragraph 6. Accordingly, a claim incorporating the term “means” shall cover all structures, materials, or acts set forth herein, and all of the equivalents thereof. Further, the structures, materials or acts and the equivalents thereof shall include all those described in the summary of the invention, brief description of the drawings, detailed description, abstract, and claims themselves.

The preceding is a simplified summary of the disclosure to provide an understanding of some aspects of the disclosure.

This summary is neither an extensive nor exhaustive overview of the disclosure and its various aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations. It is intended neither to identify key or critical elements of the disclosure nor to delineate the scope of the disclosure but to present selected concepts of the disclosure in a simplified form as an introduction to the more detailed description presented below. As will be appreciated, other aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations of the disclosure are possible utilizing, alone or in combination, one or more of the features set forth above or described in detail below.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

FIG. 1A includes a first view of an embodiment of a multi-screen user device;

FIG. 1B includes a second view of an embodiment of a multi-screen user device;

FIG. 1C includes a third view of an embodiment of a multi-screen user device;

FIG. 1D includes a fourth view of an embodiment of a multi-screen user device;

FIG. 1E includes a fifth view of an embodiment of a multi-screen user device;

FIG. 1F includes a sixth view of an embodiment of a multi-screen user device;

FIG. 1G includes a seventh view of an embodiment of a multi-screen user device;

FIG. 1H includes an eighth view of an embodiment of a multi-screen user device;

FIG. 1I includes a ninth view of an embodiment of a multi-screen user device;

FIG. 1J includes a tenth view of an embodiment of a multi-screen user device;

FIG. 2 is a block diagram of an embodiment of the hardware of the device;

FIG. 3A is a block diagram of an embodiment of the state model for the device based on the device's orientation and/or configuration;

FIG. 3B is a table of an embodiment of the state model for the device based on the device's orientation and/or configuration;

FIG. 4A is a first representation of an embodiment of user gesture received at a device;

FIG. 4B is a second representation of an embodiment of user gesture received at a device;

FIG. 4C is a third representation of an embodiment of user gesture received at a device;

FIG. 4D is a fourth representation of an embodiment of user gesture received at a device;

FIG. 4E is a fifth representation of an embodiment of user gesture received at a device;

FIG. 4F is a sixth representation of an embodiment of user gesture received at a device;

FIG. 4G is a seventh representation of an embodiment of user gesture received at a device;

FIG. 4H is an eighth representation of an embodiment of user gesture received at a device;

FIG. 5A is a block diagram of an embodiment of the device software and/or firmware;

FIG. 5B is a second block diagram of an embodiment of the device software and/or firmware;

FIG. 6A is a first representation of an embodiment of a device configuration generated in response to the device state;

FIG. 6B is a second representation of an embodiment of a device configuration generated in response to the device state;

FIG. 6C is a third representation of an embodiment of a device configuration generated in response to the device state;

FIG. 6D is a fourth representation of an embodiment of a device configuration generated in response to the device state;

FIG. 6E is a fifth representation of an embodiment of a device configuration generated in response to the device state;

FIG. 6F is a sixth representation of an embodiment of a device configuration generated in response to the device state;

FIG. 6G is a seventh representation of an embodiment of a device configuration generated in response to the device state;

FIG. 6H is an eighth representation of an embodiment of a device configuration generated in response to the device state;

FIG. 6I is a ninth representation of an embodiment of a device configuration generated in response to the device state;

FIG. 6J is a tenth representation of an embodiment of a device configuration generated in response to the device state;

FIG. 7A is representation of a logical window stack;

FIG. 7B is another representation of an embodiment of a logical window stack;

FIG. 7C is another representation of an embodiment of a logical window stack;

FIG. 7D is another representation of an embodiment of a logical window stack;

FIG. 7E is another representation of an embodiment of a logical window stack;

FIG. 8 is block diagram of an embodiment of a logical data structure for a window stack;

FIG. 9 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for creating a window stack;

FIG. 10 illustrates an exemplary method for managing the display of an email client application based on application mode and device configuration;

FIG. 11 illustrates an exemplary user interface for an image capture feature or function;

FIG. 12 illustrates an exemplary user interface for an image capture feature or function;

FIG. 13 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing an image capture feature;

FIG. 14A illustrates another exemplary user interface for an image capture feature or function;

FIG. 14B illustrates another exemplary user interface for an image capture feature or function;

FIG. 15A illustrates another exemplary user interface for an image capture feature or function;

FIG. 15B illustrates another exemplary user interface for an image capture feature or function;

FIG. 16A illustrates another exemplary user interface for an image capture feature or function;

FIG. 16B illustrates another exemplary user interface for an image capture feature or function;

FIG. 17 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing an image capture feature;

FIG. 18 illustrates another exemplary user interface for an image capture feature or function;

FIG. 19 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing an image capture feature;

FIG. 20 illustrates another exemplary user interface for an image capture feature or function;

FIG. 21 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing an image capture feature;

FIG. 22 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing a gallery function;

FIG. 23 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 24 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 25 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 26 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 27 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 28 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 29 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing a gallery function;

FIG. 30 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 31 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 32 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing a gallery function;

FIG. 33 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 34 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 35 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing a gallery function;

FIG. 36 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 37 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing a gallery function;

FIG. 38 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 39 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing a gallery function;

FIG. 40 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 41 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 42 is a flow chart of an embodiment of a method for providing a gallery function;

FIG. 43 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 44 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function;

FIG. 45 illustrates an exemplary user interface for a gallery function.

In the appended figures, similar components and/or features may have the same reference label. Further, various components of the same type may be distinguished by following the reference label by a letter that distinguishes among the similar components. If only the first reference label is used in the specification, the description is applicable to any one of the similar components having the same first reference label irrespective of the second reference label.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Presented herein are embodiments of a device. The device can be a communications device, such as a cellular telephone, or other smart device. The device can include two screens that are oriented to provide several unique display configurations. Further, the device can receive user input in unique ways. The overall design and functionality of the device provides for an enhanced user experience making the device more useful and more efficient.

Mechanical Features:

FIGS. 1A-1J illustrate a device 100 in accordance with embodiments of the present disclosure. As described in greater detail below, device 100 can be positioned in a number of different ways each of which provides different functionality to a user. The device 100 is a multi-screen device that

includes a primary screen 104 and a secondary screen 108, both of which are touch sensitive. In embodiments, the entire front surface of screens 104 and 108 may be touch sensitive and capable of receiving input by a user touching the front surface of the screens 104 and 108. Primary screen 104 includes touch sensitive display 110, which, in addition to being touch sensitive, also displays information to a user. Secondary screen 108 includes touch sensitive display 114, which also displays information to a user. In other embodiments, screens 104 and 108 may include more than one display area.

Primary screen 104 also includes a configurable area 112 that has been configured for specific inputs when the user touches portions of the configurable area 112. Secondary screen 108 also includes a configurable area 116 that has been configured for specific inputs. Areas 112a and 116a have been configured to receive a “back” input indicating that a user would like to view information previously displayed. Areas 112b and 116b have been configured to receive a “menu” input indicating that the user would like to view options from a menu. Areas 112c and 116c have been configured to receive a “home” input indicating that the user would like to view information associated with a “home” view. In other embodiments, areas 112a-c and 116a-c may be configured, in addition to the configurations described above, for other types of specific inputs including controlling features of device 100, some non-limiting examples including adjusting overall system power, adjusting the volume, adjusting the brightness, adjusting the vibration, selecting of displayed items (on either of screen 104 or 108), operating a camera, operating a microphone, and initiating/terminating of telephone calls. Also, in some embodiments, areas 112a-C and 116a-C may be configured for specific inputs depending upon the application running on device 100 and/or information displayed on touch sensitive displays 110 and/or 114.

In addition to touch sensing, primary screen 104 and secondary screen 108 may also include areas that receive input from a user without requiring the user to touch the display area of the screen. For example, primary screen 104 includes gesture capture area 120, and secondary screen 108 includes gesture capture area 124. These areas are able to receive input by recognizing gestures made by a user without the need for the user to actually touch the surface of the display area. In comparison to touch sensitive displays 110 and 114, the gesture capture areas 120 and 124 are commonly not capable of rendering a displayed image.

The two screens 104 and 108 are connected together with a hinge 128, shown clearly in FIG. 1C (illustrating a back view of device 100). Hinge 128, in the embodiment shown in FIGS. 1A-1J, is a center hinge that connects screens 104 and 108 so that when the hinge is closed, screens 104 and 108 are juxtaposed (i.e., side-by-side) as shown in FIG. 1B (illustrating a front view of device 100). Hinge 128 can be opened to position the two screens 104 and 108 in different relative positions to each other. As described in greater detail below, the device 100 may have different functionalities depending on the relative positions of screens 104 and 108.

FIG. 1D illustrates the right side of device 100. As shown in FIG. 1D, secondary screen 108 also includes a card slot 132 and a port 136 on its side. Card slot 132 in embodiments, accommodates different types of cards including a subscriber identity module (SIM). Port 136 in embodiments is an input/output port (I/O port) that allows device 100 to be connected to other peripheral devices, such as a display, keyboard, or printing device. As can be appreciated, these are merely some examples and in other embodiments device 100 may include other slots and ports such as slots and ports for accommodat-

ing additional memory devices and/or for connecting other peripheral devices. Also shown in FIG. 1D is an audio jack 140 that accommodates a tip, ring, sleeve (TRS) connector for example to allow a user to utilize headphones or a headset.

Device 100 also includes a number of buttons 158. For example, FIG. 1E illustrates the left side of device 100. As shown in FIG. 1E, the side of primary screen 104 includes three buttons 144, 148, and 152, which can be configured for specific inputs. For example, buttons 144, 148, and 152 may be configured to, in combination or alone, control a number of aspects of device 100. Some non-limiting examples include overall system power, volume, brightness, vibration, selection of displayed items (on either of screen 104 or 108), a camera, a microphone, and initiation/termination of telephone calls. In some embodiments, instead of separate buttons two buttons may be combined into a rocker button. This arrangement is useful in situations where the buttons are configured to control features such as volume or brightness. In addition to buttons 144, 148, and 152, device 100 also includes a button 156, shown in FIG. 1F, which illustrates the top of device 100. In one embodiment, button 156 is configured as an on/off button used to control overall system power to device 100. In other embodiments, button 156 is configured to, in addition to or in lieu of controlling system power, control other aspects of device 100. In some embodiments, one or more of the buttons 144, 148, 152, and 156 are capable of supporting different user commands. By way of example, a normal press has a duration commonly of less than about 1 second and resembles a quick tap. A medium press has a duration commonly of 1 second or more but less than about 12 seconds. A long press has a duration commonly of about 12 seconds or more. The function of the buttons is normally specific to the application that is currently in focus on the respective display 110 and 114. In a telephone application for instance and depending on the particular button, a normal, medium, or long press can mean end call, increase in call volume, decrease in call volume, and toggle microphone mute. In a camera or video application for instance and depending on the particular button, a normal, medium, or long press can mean increase zoom, decrease zoom, and take photograph or record video.

There are also a number of hardware components within device 100. As illustrated in FIG. 1C, device 100 includes a speaker 160 and a microphone 164. Device 100 also includes a camera 168 (FIG. 1B). Additionally, device 100 includes two position sensors 172A and 172B, which are used to determine the relative positions of screens 104 and 108. In one embodiment, position sensors 172A and 172B are Hall effect sensors. However, in other embodiments other sensors can be used in addition to or in lieu of the Hall effect sensors. An accelerometer 176 may also be included as part of device 100 to determine the orientation of the device 100 and/or the orientation of screens 104 and 108. Additional internal hardware components that may be included in device 100 are described below with respect to FIG. 2.

The overall design of device 100 allows it to provide additional functionality not available in other communication devices. Some of the functionality is based on the various positions and orientations that device 100 can have. As shown in FIGS. 1B-1G, device 100 can be operated in an “open” position where screens 104 and 108 are juxtaposed. This position allows a large display area for displaying information to a user. When position sensors 172A and 172B determine that device 100 is in the open position, they can generate a signal that can be used to trigger different events such as displaying information on both screens 104 and 108. Additional events may be triggered if accelerometer 176 deter-

mines that device 100 is in a portrait position (FIG. 1B) as opposed to a landscape position (not shown).

In addition to the open position, device 100 may also have a “closed” position illustrated in FIG. 1H. Again, position sensors 172A and 172B can generate a signal indicating that device 100 is in the “closed” position. This can trigger an event that results in a change of displayed information on screen 104 and/or 108. For example, device 100 may be programmed to stop displaying information on one of the screens, e.g., screen 108, since a user can only view one screen at a time when device 100 is in the “closed” position. In other embodiments, the signal generated by position sensors 172A and 172B, indicating that the device 100 is in the “closed” position, can trigger device 100 to answer an incoming telephone call. The “closed” position can also be a preferred position for utilizing the device 100 as a mobile phone.

Device 100 can also be used in an “easel” position which is illustrated in FIG. 1I. In the “easel” position, screens 104 and 108 are angled with respect to each other and facing outward with the edges of screens 104 and 108 substantially horizontal. In this position, device 100 can be configured to display information on both screens 104 and 108 to allow two users to simultaneously interact with device 100. When device 100 is in the “easel” position, sensors 172A and 172B generate a signal indicating that the screens 104 and 108 are positioned at an angle to each other, and the accelerometer 176 can generate a signal indicating that device 100 has been placed so that the edge of screens 104 and 108 are substantially horizontal. The signals can then be used in combination to generate events that trigger changes in the display of information on screens 104 and 108.

FIG. 1J illustrates device 100 in a “modified easel” position. In the “modified easel” position, one of screens 104 or 108 is used as a stand and is faced down on the surface of an object such as a table. This position provides a convenient way for information to be displayed to a user in landscape orientation. Similar to the easel position, when device 100 is in the “modified easel” position, position sensors 172A and 172B generate a signal indicating that the screens 104 and 108 are positioned at an angle to each other. The accelerometer 176 would generate a signal indicating that device 100 has been positioned so that one of screens 104 and 108 is faced downwardly and is substantially horizontal. The signals can then be used to generate events that trigger changes in the display of information of screens 104 and 108. For example, information may not be displayed on the screen that is face down since a user cannot see the screen.

Transitional states are also possible. When the position sensors 172A and B and/or accelerometer indicate that the screens are being closed or folded (from open), a closing transitional state is recognized. Conversely when the position sensors 172A and B indicate that the screens are being opened or folded (from closed), an opening transitional state is recognized. The closing and opening transitional states are typically time-based, or have a maximum time duration from a sensed starting point. Normally, no user input is possible when one of the closing and opening states is in effect. In this manner, incidental user contact with a screen during the closing or opening function is not misinterpreted as user input. In other embodiments, another transitional state is possible when the device 100 is closed. This additional transitional state allows the display to switch from one screen 104 to the second screen 108 when the device 100 is closed based on some user input, e.g., a double tap on the screen 110,114.

As can be appreciated, the description of device 100 is made for illustrative purposes only, and the embodiments are not limited to the specific mechanical features shown in

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FIGS. 1A-1J and described above. In other embodiments, device 100 may include additional features, including one or more additional buttons, slots, display areas, hinges, and/or locking mechanisms. Additionally, in embodiments, the features described above may be located in different parts of device 100 and still provide similar functionality. Therefore, FIGS. 1A-1J and the description provided above are nonlimiting.

Hardware Features:

FIG. 2 illustrates components of a device 100 in accordance with embodiments of the present disclosure. In general, the device 100 includes a primary screen 104 and a secondary screen 108. While the primary screen 104 and its components are normally enabled in both the opened and closed positions or states, the secondary screen 108 and its components are normally enabled in the opened state but disabled in the closed state. However, even when in the closed state a user or application triggered interrupt (such as in response to a phone application or camera application operation) can flip the active screen, or disable the primary screen 104 and enable the secondary screen 108, by a suitable command. Each screen 104, 108 can be touch sensitive and can include different operative areas. For example, a first operative area, within each touch sensitive screen 104 and 108, may comprise a touch sensitive display 110, 114. In general, the touch sensitive display 110, 114 may comprise a full color, touch sensitive display. A second area within each touch sensitive screen 104 and 108 may comprise a gesture capture region 120, 124. The gesture capture region 120, 124 may comprise an area or region that is outside of the touch sensitive display 110, 114 area, and that is capable of receiving input, for example in the form of gestures provided by a user. However, the gesture capture region 120, 124 does not include pixels that can perform a display function or capability.

A third region of the touch sensitive screens 104 and 108 may comprise a configurable area 112, 116. The configurable area 112, 116 is capable of receiving input and has display or limited display capabilities. In embodiments, the configurable area 112, 116 may present different input options to the user. For example, the configurable area 112, 116 may display buttons or other relatable items. Moreover, the identity of displayed buttons, or whether any buttons are displayed at all within the configurable area 112, 116 of a touch sensitive screen 104 or 108, may be determined from the context in which the device 100 is used and/or operated. In an exemplary embodiment, the touch sensitive screens 104 and 108 comprise liquid crystal display devices extending across at least those regions of the touch sensitive screens 104 and 108 that are capable of providing visual output to a user, and a capacitive input matrix over those regions of the touch sensitive screens 104 and 108 that are capable of receiving input from the user.

One or more display controllers 216a, 216b may be provided for controlling the operation of the touch sensitive screens 104 and 108, including input (touch sensing) and output (display) functions. In the exemplary embodiment illustrated in FIG. 2, a separate touch screen controller 216a or 216b is provided for each touch screen 104 and 108. In accordance with alternate embodiments, a common or shared touch screen controller 216 may be used to control each of the included touch sensitive screens 104 and 108. In accordance with still other embodiments, the functions of a touch screen controller 216 may be incorporated into other components, such as a processor 204.

The processor 204 may comprise a general purpose programmable processor or controller for executing application programming or instructions. In accordance with at least

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some embodiments, the processor 204 may include multiple processor cores, and/or implement multiple virtual processors. In accordance with still other embodiments, the processor 204 may include multiple physical processors. As a particular example, the processor 204 may comprise a specially configured application specific integrated circuit (ASIC) or other integrated circuit, a digital signal processor, a controller, a hardwired electronic or logic circuit, a programmable logic device or gate array, a special purpose computer, or the like. The processor 204 generally functions to run programming code or instructions implementing various functions of the device 100.

A communication device 100 may also include memory 208 for use in connection with the execution of application programming or instructions by the processor 204, and for the temporary or long term storage of program instructions and/or data. As examples, the memory 208 may comprise RAM, DRAM, SDRAM, or other solid state memory. Alternatively or in addition, data storage 212 may be provided. Like the memory 208, the data storage 212 may comprise a solid state memory device or devices. Alternatively or in addition, the data storage 212 may comprise a hard disk drive or other random access memory.

In support of communications functions or capabilities, the device 100 can include a cellular telephony module 228. As examples, the cellular telephony module 228 can comprise a GSM, CDMA, FDMA and/or analog cellular telephony transceiver capable of supporting voice, multimedia and/or data transfers over a cellular network. Alternatively or in addition, the device 100 can include an additional or other wireless communications module 232. As examples, the other wireless communications module 232 can comprise a Wi-Fi, BLUETOOTH™, WiMax, infrared, or other wireless communications link. The cellular telephony module 228 and the other wireless communications module 232 can each be associated with a shared or a dedicated antenna 224.

A port interface 252 may be included. The port interface 252 may include proprietary or universal ports to support the interconnection of the device 100 to other devices or components, such as a dock, which may or may not include additional or different capabilities from those integral to the device 100. In addition to supporting an exchange of communication signals between the device 100 and another device or component, the docking port 136 and/or port interface 252 can support the supply of power to or from the device 100. The port interface 252 also comprises an intelligent element that comprises a docking module for controlling communications or other interactions between the device 100 and a connected device or component.

An input/output module 248 and associated ports may be included to support communications over wired networks or links, for example with other communication devices, server devices, and/or peripheral devices. Examples of an input/output module 248 include an Ethernet port, a Universal Serial Bus (USB) port, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) 1394, or other interface.

An audio input/output interface/device(s) 244 can be included to provide analog audio to an interconnected speaker or other device, and to receive analog audio input from a connected microphone or other device. As an example, the audio input/output interface/device(s) 244 may comprise an associated amplifier and analog to digital converter. Alternatively or in addition, the device 100 can include an integrated audio input/output device 256 and/or an audio jack for interconnecting an external speaker or microphone. For example, an integrated speaker and an integrated microphone can be provided, to support near talk or speaker phone operations.

Hardware buttons **158** can be included for example for use in connection with certain control operations. Examples include a master power switch, volume control, etc., as described in conjunction with FIGS. **1A** through **1J**. One or more image capture interfaces/devices **240**, such as a camera, can be included for capturing still and/or video images. Alternatively or in addition, an image capture interface/device **240** can include a scanner or code reader. An image capture interface/device **240** can include or be associated with additional elements, such as a flash or other light source.

The device **100** can also include a global positioning system (GPS) receiver **236**. In accordance with embodiments of the present invention, the GPS receiver **236** may further comprise a GPS module that is capable of providing absolute location information to other components of the device **100**. An accelerometer(s) **176** may also be included. For example, in connection with the display of information to a user and/or other functions, a signal from the accelerometer **176** can be used to determine an orientation and/or format in which to display that information to the user.

Embodiments of the present invention can also include one or more position sensor(s) **172**. The position sensor **172** can provide a signal indicating the position of the touch sensitive screens **104** and **108** relative to one another. This information can be provided as an input, for example to a user interface application, to determine an operating mode, characteristics of the touch sensitive displays **110**, **114**, and/or other device **100** operations. As examples, a screen position sensor **172** can comprise a series of Hall effect sensors, a multiple position switch, an optical switch, a Wheatstone bridge, a potentiometer, or other arrangement capable of providing a signal indicating of multiple relative positions the touch screens are in.

Communications between various components of the device **100** can be carried by one or more buses **222**. In addition, power can be supplied to the components of the device **100** from a power source and/or power control module **260**. The power control module **260** can, for example, include a battery, an AC to DC converter, power control logic, and/or ports for interconnecting the device **100** to an external source of power.

Device State:

FIGS. **3A** and **3B** represent illustrative states of device **100**. While a number of illustrative states are shown, and transitions from a first state to a second state, it is to be appreciated that the illustrative state diagram may not encompass all possible states and/or all possible transitions from a first state to a second state. As illustrated in FIG. **3**, the various arrows between the states (illustrated by the state represented in the circle) represent a physical change that occurs to the device **100**, that is detected by one or more of hardware and software, the detection triggering one or more of a hardware and/or software interrupt that is used to control and/or manage one or more functions of device **100**.

As illustrated in FIG. **3A**, there are twelve exemplary “physical” states: closed **304**, transition **308** (or opening transitional state), easel **312**, modified easel **316**, open **320**, inbound/outbound call or communication **324**, image/video capture **328**, transition **332** (or closing transitional state), landscape **340**, docked **336**, docked **344** and landscape **348**. Next to each illustrative state is a representation of the physical state of the device **100** with the exception of states **324** and **328**, where the state is generally symbolized by the international icon for a telephone and the icon for a camera, respectively.

In state **304**, the device is in a closed state with the device **100** generally oriented in the portrait direction with the primary screen **104** and the secondary screen **108** back-to-back

in different planes (see FIG. **1H**). From the closed state, the device **100** can enter, for example, docked state **336**, where the device **100** is coupled with a docking station, docking cable, or in general docked or associated with one or more other devices or peripherals, or the landscape state **340**, where the device **100** is generally oriented with the primary screen **104** facing the user, and the primary screen **104** and the secondary screen **108** being back-to-back.

In the closed state, the device can also move to a transitional state where the device remains closed by the display is moved from one screen **104** to another screen **108** based on a user input, e.g., a double tap on the screen **110**, **114**. Still another embodiment includes a bilateral state. In the bilateral state, the device remains closed, but a single application displays at least one window on both the first display **110** and the second display **114**. The windows shown on the first and second display **110**, **114** may be the same or different based on the application and the state of that application. For example, while acquiring an image with a camera, the device may display the view finder on the first display **110** and displays a preview for the photo subjects (full screen and mirrored left-to-right) on the second display **114**.

In state **308**, a transition state from the closed state **304** to the semi-open state or easel state **312**, the device **100** is shown opening with the primary screen **104** and the secondary screen **108** being rotated around a point of axis coincidence with the hinge. Upon entering the easel state **312**, the primary screen **104** and the secondary screen **108** are separated from one another such that, for example, the device **100** can sit in an easel-like configuration on a surface.

In state **316**, known as the modified easel position, the device **100** has the primary screen **104** and the secondary screen **108** in a similar relative relationship to one another as in the easel state **312**, with the difference being one of the primary screen **104** or the secondary screen **108** are placed on a surface as shown.

State **320** is the open state where the primary screen **104** and the secondary screen **108** are generally on the same plane. From the open state, the device **100** can transition to the docked state **344** or the open landscape state **348**. In the open state **320**, the primary screen **104** and the secondary screen **108** are generally in the portrait-like orientation while in landscaped state **348** the primary screen **104** and the secondary screen **108** are generally in a landscape-like orientation.

State **324** is illustrative of a communication state, such as when an inbound or outbound call is being received or placed, respectively, by the device **100**. While not illustrated for clarity, it should be appreciated the device **100** can transition to the inbound/outbound call state **324** from any state illustrated in FIG. **3**. In a similar manner, the image/video capture state **328** can be entered into from any other state in FIG. **3**, with the image/video capture state **328** allowing the device **100** to take one or more images via a camera and/or videos with a video capture device **240**.

Transition state **322** illustratively shows primary screen **104** and the secondary screen **108** being closed upon one another for entry into, for example, the closed state **304**.

FIG. **3B** illustrates, with reference to the key, the inputs that are received to detect a transition from a first state to a second state. In FIG. **3B**, various combinations of states are shown with in general, a portion of the columns being directed toward a portrait state **352**, a landscape state **356**, and a portion of the rows being directed to portrait state **360** and landscape state **364**.

In FIG. **3B**, the Key indicates that “H” represents an input from one or more Hall Effect sensors, “A” represents an input from one or more accelerometers, “T” represents an input

from a timer, “P” represents a communications trigger input and “I” represents an image and/or video capture request input. Thus, in the center portion 376 of the chart, an input, or combination of inputs, are shown that represent how the device 100 detects a transition from a first physical state to a second physical state.

As discussed, in the center portion of the chart 376, the inputs that are received enable the detection of a transition from, for example, a portrait open state to a landscape easel state—shown in bold—“HAT.” For this exemplary transition from the portrait open to the landscape easel state, a Hall Effect sensor (“H”), an accelerometer (“A”) and a timer (“T”) input may be needed. The timer input can be derived from, for example, a clock associated with the processor.

In addition to the portrait and landscape states, a docked state 368 is also shown that is triggered based on the receipt of a docking signal 372. As discussed above and in relation to FIG. 3, the docking signal can be triggered by the association of the device 100 with one or more other device 100s, accessories, peripherals, smart docks, or the like.

User Interaction:

FIGS. 4A through 4H depict various graphical representations of gesture inputs that may be recognized by the screens 104, 108. The gestures may be performed not only by a user’s body part, such as a digit, but also by other devices, such as a stylus, that may be sensed by the contact sensing portion(s) of a screen 104, 108. In general, gestures are interpreted differently, based on where the gestures are performed (either directly on the display 110, 114 or in the gesture capture region 120, 124). For example, gestures in the display 110, 114 may be directed to a desktop or application, and gestures in the gesture capture region 120, 124 may be interpreted as for the system.

With reference to FIGS. 4A-4H, a first type of gesture, a touch gesture 420, is substantially stationary on the screen 104,108 for a selected length of time. A circle 428 represents a touch or other contact type received at particular location of a contact sensing portion of the screen. The circle 428 may include a border 432, the thickness of which indicates a length of time that the contact is held substantially stationary at the contact location. For instance, a tap 420 (or short press) has a thinner border 432a than the border 432b for a long press 424 (or for a normal press). The long press 424 may involve a contact that remains substantially stationary on the screen for longer time period than that of a tap 420. As will be appreciated, differently defined gestures may be registered depending upon the length of time that the touch remains stationary prior to contact cessation or movement on the screen.

With reference to FIG. 4C, a drag gesture 400 on the screen 104,108 is an initial contact (represented by circle 428) with contact movement 436 in a selected direction. The initial contact 428 may remain stationary on the screen 104,108 for a certain amount of time represented by the border 432. The drag gesture typically requires the user to contact an icon, window, or other displayed image at a first location followed by movement of the contact in a drag direction to a new second location desired for the selected displayed image. The contact movement need not be in a straight line but have any path of movement so long as the contact is substantially continuous from the first to the second locations.

With reference to FIG. 4D, a flick gesture 404 on the screen 104,108 is an initial contact (represented by circle 428) with truncated contact movement 436 (relative to a drag gesture) in a selected direction. In embodiments, a flick has a higher exit velocity for the last movement in the gesture compared to the drag gesture. The flick gesture can, for instance, be a finger snap following initial contact. Compared to a drag gesture, a

flick gesture generally does not require continual contact with the screen 104,108 from the first location of a displayed image to a predetermined second location. The contacted displayed image is moved by the flick gesture in the direction of the flick gesture to the predetermined second location. Although both gestures commonly can move a displayed image from a first location to a second location, the temporal duration and distance of travel of the contact on the screen is generally less for a flick than for a drag gesture.

With reference to FIG. 4E, a pinch gesture 408 on the screen 104,108 is depicted. The pinch gesture 408 may be initiated by a first contact 428a to the screen 104,108 by, for example, a first digit and a second contact 428b to the screen 104,108 by, for example, a second digit. The first and second contacts 428a,b may be detected by a common contact sensing portion of a common screen 104,108, by different contact sensing portions of a common screen 104 or 108, or by different contact sensing portions of different screens. The first contact 428a is held for a first amount of time, as represented by the border 432a, and the second contact 428b is held for a second amount of time, as represented by the border 432b. The first and second amounts of time are generally substantially the same, and the first and second contacts 428 a, b generally occur substantially simultaneously. The first and second contacts 428 a, b generally also include corresponding first and second contact movements 436 a, b, respectively. The first and second contact movements 436 a, b are generally in opposing directions. Stated another way, the first contact movement 436a is towards the second contact 436b, and the second contact movement 436b is towards the first contact 436a. More simply stated, the pinch gesture 408 may be accomplished by a user’s digits touching the screen 104,108 in a pinching motion.

With reference to FIG. 4F, a spread gesture 410 on the screen 104,108 is depicted. The spread gesture 410 may be initiated by a first contact 428a to the screen 104,108 by, for example, a first digit and a second contact 428b to the screen 104,108 by, for example, a second digit. The first and second contacts 428a,b may be detected by a common contact sensing portion of a common screen 104,108, or by different contact sensing portions of different screens. The first contact 428a is held for a first amount of time, as represented by the border 432a, and the second contact 428b is held for a second amount of time, as represented by the border 432b. The first and second amounts of time are generally substantially the same, and the first and second contacts 428 a, b generally occur substantially simultaneously. The first and second contacts 428 a, b generally also include corresponding first and second contact movements 436a, b, respectively. The first and second contact movements 436 a, b are generally in a common direction. Stated another way, the first and second contact movements 436 a, b are away from the first and second contacts 428a, b. More simply stated, the spread gesture 410 may be accomplished by a user’s digits touching the screen 104,108 in a spreading motion.

The above gestures may be combined in any manner, such as those shown by FIGS. 4G and 4H, to produce a determined functional result. For example, in FIG. 4G a tap gesture 420 is combined with a drag or flick gesture 412 in a direction away from the tap gesture 420. In FIG. 4H, a tap gesture 420 is combined with a drag or flick gesture 412 in a direction towards the tap gesture 420.

The functional result of receiving a gesture can vary depending on a number of factors, including a state of the device 100, display 110, 114, or screen 104, 108, a context associated with the gesture, or sensed location of the gesture.

The state of the device commonly refers to one or more of a configuration of the device **100**, a display orientation, and user and other inputs received by the device **100**. Context commonly refers to one or more of the particular application(s) selected by the gesture and the portion(s) of the application currently executing, whether the application is a single- or multi-screen application, and whether the application is a multi-screen application displaying one or more windows in one or more screens or in one or more stacks. Sensed location of the gesture commonly refers to whether the sensed set(s) of gesture location coordinates are on a touch sensitive display **110**, **114** or a gesture capture region **120**, **124**, whether the sensed set(s) of gesture location coordinates are associated with a common or different display or screen **104,108**, and/or what portion of the gesture capture region contains the sensed set(s) of gesture location coordinates.

A tap, when received by an a touch sensitive display **110**, **114**, can be used, for instance, to select an icon to initiate or terminate execution of a corresponding application, to maximize or minimize a window, to reorder windows in a stack, and to provide user input such as by keyboard display or other displayed image. A drag, when received by a touch sensitive display **110**, **114**, can be used, for instance, to relocate an icon or window to a desired location within a display, to reorder a stack on a display, or to span both displays (such that the selected window occupies a portion of each display simultaneously). A flick, when received by a touch sensitive display **110**, **114** or a gesture capture region **120**, **124**, can be used to relocate a window from a first display to a second display or to span both displays (such that the selected window occupies a portion of each display simultaneously). Unlike the drag gesture, however, the flick gesture is generally not used to move the displayed image to a specific user-selected location but to a default location that is not configurable by the user.

The pinch gesture, when received by a touch sensitive display **110**, **114** or a gesture capture region **120**, **124**, can be used to minimize or otherwise increase the displayed area or size of a window (typically when received entirely by a common display), to switch windows displayed at the top of the stack on each display to the top of the stack of the other display (typically when received by different displays or screens), or to display an application manager (a “pop-up window” that displays the windows in the stack). The spread gesture, when received by a touch sensitive display **110**, **114** or a gesture capture region **120**, **124**, can be used to maximize or otherwise decrease the displayed area or size of a window, to switch windows displayed at the top of the stack on each display to the top of the stack of the other display (typically when received by different displays or screens), or to display an application manager (typically when received by an off-screen gesture capture region on the same or different screens).

The combined gestures of FIG. 4G, when received by a common display capture region in a common display or screen **104,108**, can be used to hold a first window stack location in a first stack constant for a display receiving the gesture while reordering a second window stack location in a second window stack to include a window in the display receiving the gesture. The combined gestures of FIG. 4H, when received by different display capture regions in a common display or screen **104,108** or in different displays or screens, can be used to hold a first window stack location in a first window stack constant for a display receiving the tap part of the gesture while reordering a second window stack location in a second window stack to include a window in the display receiving the flick or drag gesture. Although specific gestures and gesture capture regions in the preceding

examples have been associated with corresponding sets of functional results, it is to be appreciated that these associations can be redefined in any manner to produce differing associations between gestures and/or gesture capture regions and/or functional results.

Firmware and Software:

The memory **508** may store and the processor **504** may execute one or more software components. These components can include at least one operating system (OS) **516**, an application manager **562**, a desktop **566**, and/or one or more applications **564a** and/or **564b** from an application store **560**. The OS **516** can include a framework **520**, one or more frame buffers **548**, one or more drivers **512**, previously described in conjunction with FIG. 2, and/or a kernel **518**. The OS **516** can be any software, consisting of programs and data, which manages computer hardware resources and provides common services for the execution of various applications **564**. The OS **516** can be any operating system and, at least in some embodiments, dedicated to mobile devices, including, but not limited to, Linux, ANDROID™, iPhone OS (IOS™), WINDOWS PHONE 7™, etc. The OS **516** is operable to provide functionality to the phone by executing one or more operations, as described herein.

The applications **564** can be any higher level software that executes particular functionality for the user. Applications **564** can include programs such as email clients, web browsers, texting applications, games, media players, office suites, etc. The applications **564** can be stored in an application store **560**, which may represent any memory or data storage, and the management software associated therewith, for storing the applications **564**. Once executed, the applications **564** may be run in a different area of memory **508**.

The framework **520** may be any software or data that allows the multiple tasks running on the device to interact. In embodiments, at least portions of the framework **520** and the discrete components described hereinafter may be considered part of the OS **516** or an application **564**. However, these portions will be described as part of the framework **520**, but those components are not so limited. The framework **520** can include, but is not limited to, a Multi-Display Management (MDM) module **524**, a Surface Cache module **528**, a Window Management module **532**, an Input Management module **536**, a Task Management module **540**, an Application Model Manager **542**, a Display Controller, one or more frame buffers **548**, a task stack **552**, one or more window stacks **550** (which is a logical arrangement of windows and/or desktops in a display area), and/or an event buffer **556**.

The MDM module **524** includes one or more modules that are operable to manage the display of applications or other data on the screens of the device. An embodiment of the MDM module **524** is described in conjunction with FIG. 5B. In embodiments, the MDM module **524** receives inputs from the other OS **516** components, such as, the drivers **512**, and from the applications **564** to determine continually the state of the device **100**. The inputs assist the MDM module **524** in determining how to configure and allocate the displays according to the application’s preferences and requirements, and the user’s actions. Once a determination for display configurations is made, the MDM module **524** can bind the applications **564** to a display. The configuration may then be provided to one or more other components to generate a window with a display.

The Surface Cache module **528** includes any memory or storage and the software associated therewith to store or cache one or more images of windows. A series of active and/or non-active windows (or other display objects, such as, a desktop display) can be associated with each display. An

active window (or other display object) is currently displayed. A non-active windows (or other display objects) were opened and, at some time, displayed but are now not displayed. To enhance the user experience, before a window transitions from an active state to an inactive state, a “screen shot” of a last generated image of the window (or other display object) can be stored. The Surface Cache module **528** may be operable to store a bitmap of the last active image of a window (or other display object) not currently displayed. Thus, the Surface Cache module **528** stores the images of non-active windows (or other display objects) in a data store.

In embodiments, the Window Management module **532** is operable to manage the windows (or other display objects) that are active or not active on each of the displays. The Window Management module **532**, based on information from the MDM module **524**, the OS **516**, or other components, determines when a window (or other display object) is visible or not active. The Window Management module **532** may then put a non-visible window (or other display object) in a “not active state” and, in conjunction with the Task Management module **540** suspends the application’s operation. Further, the Window Management module **532** may assign, through collaborative interaction with the MDM module **524**, a display identifier to the window (or other display object) or manage one or more other items of data associated with the window (or other display object). The Window Management module **532** may also provide the stored information to the application **564**, the Task Management module **540**, or other components interacting with or associated with the window (or other display object). The Window Management module **532** can also associate an input task with a window based on window focus and display coordinates within the motion space.

The Input Management module **536** is operable to manage events that occur with the device. An event is any input into the window environment, for example, a user interface interactions with a user. The Input Management module **536** receives the events and logically stores the events in an event buffer **556**. Events can include such user interface interactions as a “down event,” which occurs when a screen **104**, **108** receives a touch signal from a user, a “move event,” which occurs when the screen **104**, **108** determines that a user’s finger is moving across a screen(s), an “up event,” which occurs when the screen **104**, **108** determines that the user has stopped touching the screen **104**, **108**, etc. These events are received, stored, and forwarded to other modules by the Input Management module **536**. The Input Management module **536** may also map screen inputs to a motion space which is the culmination of all physical and virtual display available on the device.

The motion space is a virtualized space that includes all touch sensitive displays **110**, **114** “tiled” together to mimic the physical dimensions of the device **100**. For example, when the device **100** is unfolded, the motion space size may be 960×800, which may be the number of pixels in the combined display area for both touch sensitive displays **110**, **114**. If a user touches on a first touch sensitive display **110** on location (40, 40), a full screen window can receive touch event with location (40, 40). If a user touches on a second touch sensitive display **114**, with location (40, 40), the full screen window can receive touch event with location (520, 40), because the second touch sensitive display **114** is on the right side of the first touch sensitive display **110**, so the device **100** can offset the touch by the first touch sensitive display’s **110** width, which is **480** pixels. When a hardware event occurs with location info from a driver **512**, the framework **520** can up-scale the physical location to the motion space because the

location of the event may be different based on the device orientation and state. The motion space may be as described in U.S. patent application Ser. No. 13/187,026, filed Jul. 20, 2011, entitled “Systems and Methods for Receiving Gesture Inputs Spanning Multiple Input Devices,” which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety for all that it teaches and for all purposes.

A task can be an application and a sub-task can be an application component that provides a window with which users can interact to do something, such as dial the phone, take a photo, send an email, or view a map. Each task may be given a window in which to draw a user interface. The window typically fills a display (for example, touch sensitive display **110**, **114**), but may be smaller than the display **110**, **114** and float on top of other windows. An application usually consists of multiple sub-tasks that are loosely bound to each other. Typically, one task in an application is specified as the “main” task, which is presented to the user when launching the application for the first time. Each task can then start another task or sub-task to perform different actions.

The Task Management module **540** is operable to manage the operation of one or more applications **564** that may be executed by the device. Thus, the Task Management module **540** can receive signals to launch, suspend, terminate, etc. an application or application sub-tasks stored in the application store **560**. The Task Management module **540** may then instantiate one or more tasks or sub-tasks of the application **564** to begin operation of the application **564**. Further, the Task Management Module **540** may launch, suspend, or terminate a task or sub-task as a result of user input or as a result of a signal from a collaborating framework **520** component. The Task Management Module **540** is responsible for managing the lifecycle of applications (tasks and sub-task) from when the application is launched to when the application is terminated.

The processing of the Task Management Module **540** is facilitated by a task stack **552**, which is a logical structure associated with the Task Management Module **540**. The task stack **552** maintains the state of all tasks and sub-tasks on the device **100**. When some component of the operating system **516** requires a task or sub-task to transition in its lifecycle, the OS **516** component can notify the Task Management Module **540**. The Task Management Module **540** may then locate the task or sub-task, using identification information, in the task stack **552**, and send a signal to the task or sub-task indicating what kind of lifecycle transition the task needs to execute. Informing the task or sub-task of the transition allows the task or sub-task to prepare for the lifecycle state transition. The Task Management Module **540** can then execute the state transition for the task or sub-task. In embodiments, the state transition may entail triggering the OS kernel **518** to terminate the task when termination is required.

Further, the Task Management module **540** may suspend the application **564** based on information from the Window Management Module **532**. Suspending the application **564** may maintain application data in memory but may limit or stop the application **564** from rendering a window or user interface. Once the application becomes active again, the Task Management module **540** can again trigger the application to render its user interface. In embodiments, if a task is suspended, the task may save the task’s state in case the task is terminated. In the suspended state, the application task may not receive input because the application window is not visible to the user.

The frame buffer **548** is a logical structure(s) used to render the user interface. The frame buffer **548** can be created and destroyed by the OS kernel **518**. However, the Display Con-

troller **544** can write the image data, for the visible windows, into the frame buffer **548**. A frame buffer **548** can be associated with one screen or multiple screens. The association of a frame buffer **548** with a screen can be controlled dynamically by interaction with the OS kernel **518**. A composite display may be created by associating multiple screens with a single frame buffer **548**. Graphical data used to render an application's window user interface may then be written to the single frame buffer **548**, for the composite display, which is output to the multiple screens **104,108**. The Display Controller **544** can direct an application's user interface to a portion of the frame buffer **548** that is mapped to a particular display **110,114**, thus, displaying the user interface on only one screen **104** or **108**. The Display Controller **544** can extend the control over user interfaces to multiple applications, controlling the user interfaces for as many displays as are associated with a frame buffer **548** or a portion thereof. This approach compensates for the multiple physical screens **104,108** that are in use by the software component above the Display Controller **544**.

The Application Manager **562** is an application that provides a presentation layer for the window environment. Thus, the Application Manager **562** provides the graphical model for rendering by the Task Management Module **540**. Likewise, the Desktop **566** provides the presentation layer for the Application Store **560**. Thus, the desktop provides a graphical model of a surface having selectable application icons for the Applications **564** in the Application Store **560** that can be provided to the Window Management Module **556** for rendering.

Further, the framework can include an Application Model Manager (AMM) **542**. The Application Manager **562** may interface with the AMM **542**. In embodiments, the AMM **542** receives state change information from the device **100** regarding the state of applications (which are running or suspended). The AMM **542** can associate bit map images from the Surface Cache Module **528** to the tasks that are alive (running or suspended). Further, the AMM **542** can convert the logical window stack maintained in the Task Manager Module **540** to a linear ("film strip" or "deck of cards") organization that the user perceives when the using the off gesture capture area **120** to sort through the windows. Further, the AMM **542** may provide a list of executing applications to the Application Manager **562**.

An embodiment of the MDM module **524** is shown in FIG. **5B**. The MDM module **524** is operable to determine the state of the environment for the device, including, but not limited to, the orientation of the device, whether the device **100** is opened or closed, what applications **564** are executing, how the applications **564** are to be displayed, what actions the user is conducting, the tasks being displayed, etc. To configure the display, the MDM module **524** interprets these environmental factors and determines a display configuration, as described in conjunction with FIGS. **6A-6J**. Then, the MDM module **524** can bind the applications **564** or other device components to the displays. The configuration may then be sent to the Display Controller **544** and/or the other components within the OS **516** to generate the display. The MDM module **524** can include one or more of, but is not limited to, a Display Configuration Module **568**, a Preferences Module **572**, a Device State Module **574**, a Gesture Module **576**, a Requirements Module **580**, an Event Module **584**, and/or a Binding Module **588**.

The Display Configuration Module **568** determines the layout for the display. In embodiments, the Display Configuration Module **568** can determine the environmental factors. The environmental factors may be received from one or more other MDM modules **524** or from other sources. The Display

Configuration Module **568** can then determine from the list of factors the best configuration for the display. Some embodiments of the possible configurations and the factors associated therewith are described in conjunction with FIGS. **6A-6F**.

The Preferences Module **572** is operable to determine display preferences for an application **564** or other component. For example, an application can have a preference for Single or Dual displays. The Preferences Module **572** can determine an application's display preference (e.g., by inspecting the application's preference settings) and may allow the application **564** to change to a mode (e.g., single screen, dual screen, max, etc.) if the device **100** is in a state that can accommodate the preferred mode. However, some user interface policies may disallow a mode even if the mode is available. As the configuration of the device changes, the preferences may be reviewed to determine if a better display configuration can be achieved for an application **564**.

The Device State Module **574** is operable to determine or receive the state of the device. The state of the device can be as described in conjunction with FIGS. **3A** and **3B**. The state of the device can be used by the Display Configuration Module **568** to determine the configuration for the display. As such, the Device State Module **574** may receive inputs and interpret the state of the device. The state information is then provided to the Display Configuration Module **568**.

The Gesture Module **576** is shown as part of the MDM module **524**, but, in embodiments, the Gesture module **576** may be a separate Framework **520** component that is separate from the MDM module **524**. In embodiments, the Gesture Module **576** is operable to determine if the user is conducting any actions on any part of the user interface. In alternative embodiments, the Gesture Module **576** receives user interface actions from the configurable area **112,116** only. The Gesture Module **576** can receive touch events that occur on the configurable area **112,116** (or possibly other user interface areas) by way of the Input Management Module **536** and may interpret the touch events (using direction, speed, distance, duration, and various other parameters) to determine what kind of gesture the user is performing. When a gesture is interpreted, the Gesture Module **576** can initiate the processing of the gesture and, by collaborating with other Framework **520** components, can manage the required window animation. The Gesture Module **576** collaborates with the Application Model Manager **542** to collect state information with respect to which applications are running (active or paused) and the order in which applications must appear when a user gesture is performed. The Gesture Module **576** may also receive references to bitmaps (from the Surface Cache Module **528**) and live windows so that when a gesture occurs it can instruct the Display Controller **544** how to move the window(s) across the display **110,114**. Thus, suspended applications may appear to be running when those windows are moved across the display **110,114**.

Further, the Gesture Module **576** can receive task information either from the Task Manage Module **540** or the Input Management module **536**. The gestures may be as defined in conjunction with FIGS. **4A** through **4H**. For example, moving a window causes the display to render a series of display frames that illustrate the window moving. The gesture associated with such user interface interaction can be received and interpreted by the Gesture Module **576**. The information about the user gesture is then sent to the Task Management Module **540** to modify the display binding of the task.

The Requirements Module **580**, similar to the Preferences Module **572**, is operable to determine display requirements for an application **564** or other component. An application can

have a set display requirement that must be observed. Some applications require a particular display orientation. For example, the application “Angry Birds” can only be displayed in landscape orientation. This type of display requirement can be determined or received, by the Requirements Module 580. As the orientation of the device changes, the Requirements Module 580 can reassert the display requirements for the application 564. The Display Configuration Module 568 can generate a display configuration that is in accordance with the application display requirements, as provided by the Requirements Module 580.

The Event Module 584, similar to the Gesture Module 576, is operable to determine one or more events occurring with an application or other component that can affect the user interface. Thus, the Event Module 584 can receive event information either from the event buffer 556 or the Task Management module 540. These events can change how the tasks are bound to the displays. The Event Module 584 can collect state change information from other Framework 520 components and act upon that state change information. In an example, when the phone is opened or closed or when an orientation change has occurred, a new message may be rendered in a secondary screen. The state change based on the event can be received and interpreted by the Event Module 584. The information about the events then may be sent to the Display Configuration Module 568 to modify the configuration of the display.

The Binding Module 588 is operable to bind the applications 564 or the other components to the configuration determined by the Display Configuration Module 568. A binding associates, in memory, the display configuration for each application with the display and mode of the application. Thus, the Binding Module 588 can associate an application with a display configuration for the application (e.g. landscape, portrait, multi-screen, etc.). Then, the Binding Module 588 may assign a display identifier to the display. The display identifier associated the application with a particular display of the device 100. This binding is then stored and provided to the Display Controller 544, the other components of the OS 516, or other components to properly render the display. The binding is dynamic and can change or be updated based on configuration changes associated with events, gestures, state changes, application preferences or requirements, etc.

User Interface Configurations:

With reference now to FIGS. 6A-J, various types of output configurations made possible by the device 100 will be described hereinafter.

FIGS. 6A and 6B depict two different output configurations of the device 100 being in a first state. Specifically, FIG. 6A depicts the device 100 being in a closed portrait state 304 where the data is displayed on the primary screen 104. In this example, the device 100 displays data via the touch sensitive display 110 in a first portrait configuration 604. As can be appreciated, the first portrait configuration 604 may only display a desktop or operating system home screen. Alternatively, one or more windows may be presented in a portrait orientation while the device 100 is displaying data in the first portrait configuration 604.

FIG. 6B depicts the device 100 still being in the closed portrait state 304, but instead data is displayed on the secondary screen 108. In this example, the device 100 displays data via the touch sensitive display 114 in a second portrait configuration 608.

It may be possible to display similar or different data in either the first or second portrait configuration 604, 608. It may also be possible to transition between the first portrait configuration 604 and second portrait configuration 608 by

providing the device 100 a user gesture (e.g., a double tap gesture), a menu selection, or other means. Other suitable gestures may also be employed to transition between configurations. Furthermore, it may also be possible to transition the device 100 from the first or second portrait configuration 604, 608 to any other configuration described herein depending upon which state the device 100 is moved.

An alternative output configuration may be accommodated by the device 100 being in a second state. Specifically, FIG. 6C depicts a third portrait configuration where data is displayed simultaneously on both the primary screen 104 and the secondary screen 108. The third portrait configuration may be referred to as a Dual-Portrait (PD) output configuration. In the PD output configuration, the touch sensitive display 110 of the primary screen 104 depicts data in the first portrait configuration 604 while the touch sensitive display 114 of the secondary screen 108 depicts data in the second portrait configuration 608. The simultaneous presentation of the first portrait configuration 604 and the second portrait configuration 608 may occur when the device 100 is in an open portrait state 320. In this configuration, the device 100 may display one application window in one display 110 or 114, two application windows (one in each display 110 and 114), one application window and one desktop, or one desktop. Other configurations may be possible. It should be appreciated that it may also be possible to transition the device 100 from the simultaneous display of configurations 604, 608 to any other configuration described herein depending upon which state the device 100 is moved. Furthermore, while in this state, an application’s display preference may place the device into bilateral mode, in which both displays are active to display different windows in the same application. For example, a Camera application may display a viewfinder and controls on one side, while the other side displays a mirrored preview that can be seen by the photo subjects. Games involving simultaneous play by two players may also take advantage of bilateral mode.

FIGS. 6D and 6E depicts two further output configurations of the device 100 being in a third state. Specifically, FIG. 6D depicts the device 100 being in a closed landscape state 340 where the data is displayed on the primary screen 104. In this example, the device 100 displays data via the touch sensitive display 110 in a first landscape configuration 612. Much like the other configurations described herein, the first landscape configuration 612 may display a desktop, a home screen, one or more windows displaying application data, or the like.

FIG. 6E depicts the device 100 still being in the closed landscape state 340, but instead data is displayed on the secondary screen 108. In this example, the device 100 displays data via the touch sensitive display 114 in a second landscape configuration 616. It may be possible to display similar or different data in either the first or second portrait configuration 612, 616. It may also be possible to transition between the first landscape configuration 612 and second landscape configuration 616 by providing the device 100 with one or both of a twist and tap gesture or a flip and slide gesture. Other suitable gestures may also be employed to transition between configurations. Furthermore, it may also be possible to transition the device 100 from the first or second landscape configuration 612, 616 to any other configuration described herein depending upon which state the device 100 is moved.

FIG. 6F depicts a third landscape configuration where data is displayed simultaneously on both the primary screen 104 and the secondary screen 108. The third landscape configuration may be referred to as a Dual-Landscape (LD) output configuration. In the LD output configuration, the touch sen-

sitive display **110** of the primary screen **104** depicts data in the first landscape configuration **612** while the touch sensitive display **114** of the secondary screen **108** depicts data in the second landscape configuration **616**. The simultaneous presentation of the first landscape configuration **612** and the second landscape configuration **616** may occur when the device **100** is in an open landscape state **340**. It should be appreciated that it may also be possible to transition the device **100** from the simultaneous display of configurations **612**, **616** to any other configuration described herein depending upon which state the device **100** is moved.

FIGS. **6G** and **6H** depict two views of a device **100** being in yet another state. Specifically, the device **100** is depicted as being in an easel state **312**. FIG. **6G** shows that a first easel output configuration **618** may be displayed on the touch sensitive display **110**. FIG. **6H** shows that a second easel output configuration **620** may be displayed on the touch sensitive display **114**. The device **100** may be configured to depict either the first easel output configuration **618** or the second easel output configuration **620** individually. Alternatively, both the easel output configurations **618**, **620** may be presented simultaneously. In some embodiments, the easel output configurations **618**, **620** may be similar or identical to the landscape output configurations **612**, **616**. The device **100** may also be configured to display one or both of the easel output configurations **618**, **620** while in a modified easel state **316**. It should be appreciated that simultaneous utilization of the easel output configurations **618**, **620** may facilitate two-person games (e.g., Battleship®, chess, checkers, etc.), multi-user conferences where two or more users share the same device **100**, and other applications. As can be appreciated, it may also be possible to transition the device **100** from the display of one or both configurations **618**, **620** to any other configuration described herein depending upon which state the device **100** is moved.

FIG. **6I** depicts yet another output configuration that may be accommodated while the device **100** is in an open portrait state **320**. Specifically, the device **100** may be configured to present a single continuous image across both touch sensitive displays **110**, **114** in a portrait configuration referred to herein as a Portrait-Max (PMax) configuration **624**. In this configuration, data (e.g., a single image, application, window, icon, video, etc.) may be split and displayed partially on one of the touch sensitive displays while the other portion of the data is displayed on the other touch sensitive display. The Pmax configuration **624** may facilitate a larger display and/or better resolution for displaying a particular image on the device **100**. Similar to other output configurations, it may be possible to transition the device **100** from the Pmax configuration **624** to any other output configuration described herein depending upon which state the device **100** is moved.

FIG. **6J** depicts still another output configuration that may be accommodated while the device **100** is in an open landscape state **348**. Specifically, the device **100** may be configured to present a single continuous image across both touch sensitive displays **110**, **114** in a landscape configuration referred to herein as a Landscape-Max (LMax) configuration **628**. In this configuration, data (e.g., a single image, application, window, icon, video, etc.) may be split and displayed partially on one of the touch sensitive displays while the other portion of the data is displayed on the other touch sensitive display. The Lmax configuration **628** may facilitate a larger display and/or better resolution for displaying a particular image on the device **100**. Similar to other output configurations, it may be possible to transition the device **100** from the

Lmax configuration **628** to any other output configuration described herein depending upon which state the device **100** is moved.

The device **100** manages desktops and/or windows with at least one window stack **700**, **728**, as shown in FIGS. **7A** and **7B**. A window stack **700**, **728** is a logical arrangement of active and/or inactive windows for a multi-screen device. For example, the window stack **700**, **728** may be logically similar to a deck of cards, where one or more windows or desktops are arranged in order, as shown in FIGS. **7A** and **7B**. An active window is a window that is currently being displayed on at least one of the touch sensitive displays **110**, **114**. For example, windows **104** and **108** are active windows and are displayed on touch sensitive displays **110** and **114**. An inactive window is a window that was opened and displayed but is now “behind” an active window and not being displayed. In embodiments, an inactive window may be for an application that is suspended, and thus, the window is not displaying active content. For example, windows **712**, **716**, **720**, and **724** are inactive windows.

A window stack **700**, **728** may have various arrangements or organizational structures. In the embodiment shown in FIG. **7A**, the device **100** includes a first stack **760** associated with a first touch sensitive display **110** and a second stack associated with a second touch sensitive display **114**. Thus, each touch sensitive display **110**, **114** can have an associated window stack **760**, **764**. These two window stacks **760**, **764** may have different numbers of windows arranged in the respective stacks **760**, **764**. Further, the two window stacks **760**, **764** can also be identified differently and managed separately. Thus, the first window stack **760** can be arranged in order from a first window **704** to a next window **720** to a last window **724** and finally to a desktop **722**, which, in embodiments, is at the “bottom” of the window stack **760**. In embodiments, the desktop **722** is not always at the “bottom” as application windows can be arranged in the window stack below the desktop **722**, and the desktop **722** can be brought to the “top” of a stack over other windows during a desktop reveal. Likewise, the second stack **764** can be arranged from a first window **708** to a next window **712** to a last window **716**, and finally to a desktop **718**, which, in embodiments, is a single desktop area, with desktop **722**, under all the windows in both window stack **760** and window stack **764**. A logical data structure for managing the two window stacks **760**, **764** may be as described in conjunction with FIG. **8**.

Another arrangement for a window stack **728** is shown in FIG. **7B**. In this embodiment, there is a single window stack **728** for both touch sensitive displays **110**, **114**. Thus, the window stack **728** is arranged from a desktop **758** to a first window **744** to a last window **756**. A window can be arranged in a position among all windows without an association to a specific touch sensitive display **110**, **114**. In this embodiment, a window is in the order of windows. Further, at least one window is identified as being active. For example, a single window may be rendered in two portions **732** and **736** that are displayed on the first touch sensitive screen **110** and the second touch sensitive screen **114**. The single window may only occupy a single position in the window stack **728** although it is displayed on both displays **110**, **114**.

Yet another arrangement of a window stack **760** is shown in FIGS. **7C** through **7E**. The window stack **760** is shown in three “elevation” views. In FIG. **7C**, the top of the window stack **760** is shown. Two sides of the window stack **760** are shown in FIGS. **7D** and **7E**. In this embodiment, the window stack **760** resembles a stack of bricks. The windows are stacked on each other. Looking from the top of the window stack **760** in FIG. **7C**, only the top most windows in the

window stack **760** are seen in different portions of the composite display **764**. The composite display **764** represents a logical model for the entire display area of the device **100**, which can include touch sensitive display **110** and touch sensitive display **114**. A desktop **786** or a window can occupy part or all of the composite display **764**.

In the embodiment shown, the desktop **786** is the lowest display or “brick” in the window stack **760**. Thereupon, window **1 782**, window **2 782**, window **3 768**, and window **4 770** are layered. Window **1 782**, window **3 768**, window **2 782**, and window **4 770** only occupy a portion of the composite display **764**. Thus, another part of the stack **760** includes window **8 774** and windows **5** through **7** shown in section **790**. Only the top window in any portion of the composite display **764** is actually rendered and displayed. Thus, as shown in the top view in FIG. **7C**, window **4 770**, window **8 774**, and window **3 768** are displayed as being at the top of the display in different portions of the window stack **760**. A window can be dimensioned to occupy only a portion of the composite display **760** to “reveal” windows lower in the window stack **760**. For example, window **3 768** is lower in the stack than both window **4 770** and window **8 774** but is still displayed. A logical data structure to manage the window stack can be as described in conjunction with FIG. **8**.

When a new window is opened, the newly activated window is generally positioned at the top of the stack. However, where and how the window is positioned within the stack can be a function of the orientation of the device **100**, the context of what programs, functions, software, etc. are being executed on the device **100**, how the stack is positioned when the new window is opened, etc. To insert the window in the stack, the position in the stack for the window is determined and the touch sensitive display **110**, **114** to which the window is associated may also be determined. With this information, a logical data structure for the window can be created and stored. When user interface or other events or tasks change the arrangement of windows, the window stack(s) can be changed to reflect the change in arrangement. It should be noted that these same concepts described above can be used to manage the one or more desktops for the device **100**.

A logical data structure **800** for managing the arrangement of windows or desktops in a window stack is shown in FIG. **8**. The logical data structure **800** can be any data structure used to store data whether an object, record, file, etc. The logical data structure **800** can be stored in any type of database or data storage system, regardless of protocol or standard. In embodiments, the logical data structure **800** includes one or more portions, fields, attributes, etc. that store data in a logical arrangement that allows for easy storage and retrieval of the information. Hereinafter, these one or more portions, fields, attributes, etc. shall be described simply as fields. The fields can store data for a window identifier **804**, dimensions **808**, a stack position identifier **812**, a display identifier **816**, and/or an active indicator **820**. Each window in a window stack can have an associated logical data structure **800**. While only a single logical data structure **800** is shown in FIG. **8**, there may be more or fewer logical data structures **800** used with a window stack (based on the number of windows or desktops in the stack), as represented by ellipses **824**. Further, there may be more or fewer fields than those shown in FIG. **8**, as represented by ellipses **828**.

A window identifier **804** can include any identifier (ID) that uniquely identifies the associated window in relation to other windows in the window stack. The window identifier **804** can be a globally unique identifier (GUID), a numeric ID, an alphanumeric ID, or other type of identifier. In embodiments, the window identifier **804** can be one, two, or any number of

digits based on the number of windows that can be opened. In alternative embodiments, the size of the window identifier **804** may change based on the number of windows opened. While the window is open, the window identifier **804** may be static and remain unchanged.

Dimensions **808** can include dimensions for a window in the composite display **760**. For example, the dimensions **808** can include coordinates for two or more corners of the window or may include one coordinate and dimensions for the width and height of the window. These dimensions **808** can delineate what portion of the composite display **760** the window may occupy, which may be the entire composite display **760** or only part of composite display **760**. For example, window **4 770** may have dimensions **880** that indicate that the window **770** will occupy only part of the display area for composite display **760**, as shown in FIGS. **7c** through **7E**. As windows are moved or inserted in the window stack, the dimensions **808** may change.

A stack position identifier **812** can be any identifier that can identify the position in the stack for the window or may be inferred from the window’s control record within a data structure, such as a list or a stack. The stack position identifier **812** can be a GUID, a numeric ID, an alphanumeric ID, or other type of identifier. Each window or desktop can include a stack position identifier **812**. For example, as shown in FIG. **7A**, window **1 704** in stack **1 760** can have a stack position identifier **812** of **1** identifying that window **704** is the first window in the stack **760** and the active window. Similarly, window **6 724** can have a stack position identifier **812** of **3** representing that window **724** is the third window in the stack **760**. Window **2 708** can also have a stack position identifier **812** of **1** representing that window **708** is the first window in the second stack **764**. As shown in FIG. **7B**, window **1 744** can have a stack position identifier **812** of **1**, window **3**, rendered in portions **732** and **736**, can have a stack position identifier **812** of **3**, and window **6 756** can have a stack position identifier **812** of **6**. Thus, depending on the type of stack, the stack position identifier **812** can represent a window’s location in the stack.

A display identifier **816** can identify that the window or desktop is associated with a particular display, such as the first display **110** or the second display **114**, or the composite display **760** composed of both displays. While this display identifier **816** may not be needed for a multi-stack system, as shown in FIG. **7A**, the display identifier **816** can indicate whether a window in the serial stack of FIG. **7B** is displayed on a particular display. Thus, window **3** may have two portions **732** and **736** in FIG. **7B**. The first portion **732** may have a display identifier **816** for the first display while the second portion **736** may have a display identifier **816** for the second display **114**. However, in alternative embodiments, the window may have two display identifier **816** that represent that the window is displayed on both of the displays **110**, **114**, or a display identifier **816** identifying the composite display. In another alternate embodiment, the window may have a single display identifier **816** to represent that the window is displayed on both of the displays **110**, **114**.

Similar to the display identifier **816**, an active indicator **820** may not be needed with the dual stack system of FIG. **7A**, as the window in stack position **1** is active and displayed. In the system of FIG. **7B**, the active indicator **820** can indicate which window(s) in the stack is being displayed. Thus, window **3** may have two portions **732** and **736** in FIG. **7**. The first portion **732** may have an active indicator **820** while the second portion **736** may also have an active indicator **820**. However, in alternative embodiments, window **3** may have a single

active indicator **820**. The active indicator **820** can be a simple flag or bit that represents that the window is active or displayed.

An embodiment of a method **900** for creating a window stack is shown in FIG. **9**. While a general order for the steps of the method **900** is shown in FIG. **9**. Generally, the method **900** starts with a start operation **904** and ends with an end operation **928**. The method **900** can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. **9**. The method **900** can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method **900** shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. **1-8**.

A multi-screen device **100** can receive activation of a window, in step **908**. In embodiments, the multi-screen device **100** can receive activation of a window by receiving an input from the touch sensitive display **110** or **114**, the configurable area **112** or **116**, a gesture capture region **120** or **124**, or some other hardware sensor operable to receive user interface inputs. The processor may execute the Task Management Module **540** may receive the input. The Task Management Module **540** can interpret the input as requesting an application task to be executed that will open a window in the window stack.

In embodiments, the Task Management Module **540** places the user interface interaction in the task stack **552** to be acted upon by the Display Configuration Module **568** of the Multi-Display Management Module **524**. Further, the Task Management Module **540** waits for information from the Multi-Display Management Module **524** to send instructions to the Window Management Module **532** to create the window in the window stack.

The Multi-Display Management Module **524**, upon receiving instruction from the Task Management Module **540**, determines to which touch portion of the composite display **760**, the newly activated window should be associated, in step **912**. For example, window **4 770** is associated with the a portion of the composite display **764**. In embodiments, the device state module **574** of the Multi-Display Management Module **524** may determine how the device is oriented or in what state the device is in, e.g., open, closed, portrait, etc. Further, the preferences module **572** and/or requirements module **580** may determine how the window is to be displayed. The gesture module **576** may determine the user's intentions about how the window is to be opened based on the type of gesture and the location of where the gesture is made.

The Display Configuration Module **568** may use the input from these modules and evaluate the current window stack **760** to determine the best place and the best dimensions, based on a visibility algorithm, to open the window. Thus, the Display Configuration Module **568** determines the best place to put the window at the top of the window stack **760**, in step **916**. The visibility algorithm, in embodiments, determines for all portions of the composite display, which windows are at the top of the stack. For example, the visibility algorithm determines that window **3 768**, window **4 770**, and window **8 774** are at the top of the stack **760** as viewed in FIGS. **7C** through **7E**. Upon determining where to open the window, the Display Configuration Module **568** can assign a display identifier **816** and possibly dimensions **808** to the window. The display identifier **816** and dimensions **808** can then be sent back to the Task Management Module **540**. The Task Management Module **540** may then assign the window a stack position identifier **812** indicating the windows position at the top of the window stack.

In embodiments, the Task Management Module **540** sends the window stack information and instructions to render the window to the Window Management Module **532**. The Window Management Module **532** and the Task Management Module **540** can create the logical data structure **800**, in step **924**. Both the Task Management Module **540** and the Window Management Module **532** may create and manage copies of the window stack. These copies of the window stack can be synchronized or kept similar through communications between the Window Management Module **532** and the Task Management Module **540**. Thus, the Window Management Module **532** and the Task Management Module **540**, based on the information determined by the Multi-Display Management Module **524**, can assign dimensions **808**, a stack position identifier **812** (e.g., window **1 782**, window **4 770**, etc.), a display identifier **816** (e.g., touch sensitive display **1 110**, touch sensitive display **2 114**, composite display identifier, etc.), and an active indicator **820**, which is generally always set when the window is at the "top" of the stack. The logical data structure **800** may then be stored by both the Window Management Module **532** and the Task Management Module **540**. Further, the Window Management Module **532** and the Task Management Module **540** may thereafter manage the window stack and the logical data structure(s) **800**.

An embodiment of a method **1000** for executing an application is shown in FIG. **10**. While a general order for the steps of the method **1000** is shown in FIG. **10**. Generally, the method **1000** starts with a start operation **1004** and ends with an end operation **1040**. The method **1000** can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. **10**. The method **1000** can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method **1000** shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. **1-48**.

An application is executed, in step **1008**. In embodiments, a processor **204** receives indication to execute an application through a user interface **110**, **114**, **112**, **116**, etc. The indication can be a selection of an icon associated with the application. In other embodiments, the indication can be a signal generated from another application or event, such as receiving an e-mail or other communication, which causes the application to execute automatically. The processor **204** can retrieve the application **564a** from the application store **560** and begin its execution. In executing the application **564a**, a user interface can be generated for a user, as described in conjunction with FIGS. **11-61D**.

In creating a user interface, the application **564a** can begin executing to create a manifest, in step **1012**. A manifest is a data structure that indicates the capabilities of the application **564a**. The manifest can generally be created from the resources in the resources directory of the application **564a**. The resources directory can indicate the types of modes, locations, or other indications for how the user interface should be configured in the multi-display device **100**. For example, the several modes can include: "classic mode" that indicates that the application **564a** is capable of being displayed on a single screen or display **110/114**; "dual mode" that indicates that the application **564a** is capable of being displaced on two or more displays **110** and **114**; "max mode" that indicates the application **564a** is capable of being displayed or desires to be displayed across multiple displays **110** and **114**; and/or "bilateral mode" that indicates that the appli-

cation **564a** is capable of being displayed on 2 or more displays **110** and **114** when the device **100** is in easel mode (see FIGS. **1I** and/or **1J**).

Similarly, the manifest can include a desired or allowed location within the displays **110/114**. The possible locations can include: “left”, which indicates that the application **564a** desires to be displayed on the left display **110**; “right”, which indicates that the application **564a** desires to be displayed on the right display **114**; and/or other indications of where a location should be including possible “top” and/or “bottom” of one or more of the displays **110/114**.

The application **564a** can also indicate that it desires to be displayed in a “minimum” window, which is a window that occupies less than the full area of a single display. There may be other modes possible for the application **564a**, which may be included in the manifest. The manifest can be sent from the application **564a** to the multi-display management module **524**.

The multi-display management module **524** can receive the manifest, in step **1016**. In receiving the manifest, the multi-display management module **524** can use the information to determine a display binding for the application **564a**. The manifest may be received more than once from the application **564a** based on changes in how the application **564a** is being executed, where the application **564a** desires to have a different display setting for the new mode. Thus, with the manifest, the application **564a** can indicate to the multi-display management module **524** how best to or what is the desired for the application’s user interface. The multi-display management module **524** can use the information in the manifest to determine the best fit for the user interface depending on how the device **100** is currently configured.

The multi-display management module **524** can determine the application display mode, in step **1020**. Here the multi-display management module **524** receives or retrieves an indication of the device **100** configuration. For example, the multi-display management module **524** can determine if the device is in single display configuration (see FIG. **6A**, **6B**, **6D**, or **6E**), dual display configuration (see FIG. **6C** or **6F**), bilateral display configuration (see FIG. **6G** or **6H**), or one of the other display configurations (see FIG. **6I** or **6J**).

Further, the multi-display management module **524** can determine if the device **100** is in a portrait or landscape orientation. With this information, the multi-display management module **524** may then consider the capabilities or preferences listed for the application **564a** in the received manifest. The combined information may then allow the multi-display management module **524** to determine a display binding. The display binding can include which of the one or more displays **110** and/or **114** are going to be used to display the application’s user interface(s). For example, the multi-display management module **524** can determine that the primary display **110**, the secondary display **114**, or all displays **110** and **114** of the device **100** will be used to display the application’s user interface.

The display modes setting can be assigned by creating or setting a number in the display binding. This number can be “0” for the primary display **110**, “1” for the secondary display **114**, or “2” for dual displays **110** and **114**. The display mode setting can also indicate if the application **564a** should display the user interface in portrait or landscape orientation. Further, there may be other settings, for example, providing a max mode or other setting that may indicate how the application **564a** is to be displayed on the device. The display binding information is stored in a data structure to create and set a binding, in step **1024**.

The established display binding may then be provided, by the multi-display management module **524**, to the application **564a**, in step **1028**. The provided display binding data structure can become an attribute of the application **564a**. An application **564a** may thereafter store the display binding attribute in the memory of the device **100**. The application **564a** with the display binding may then generate a user interface based on this display binding. The application **564a** may be unaware of the position of the display **110/114** but may, from the display binding, be able to determine the size of the available user interface to generate a window that has particular characteristics for that display setting.

When a configuration change happens to the device **100**, the multi-display management module **524** may change the display binding and send a new display binding to the application **564a**. In embodiments, the multi-display management module **524** may indicate to the application **564a** that there is a new binding or, in other embodiments, the application **564a** may request a display configuration change or a new display binding, in which case the multi-display management module **524** may send a new display binding to the application **564a**. Thus, the multi-display management module **524** can change the configuration of the display for the application **564a** by altering the display binding for the application **564a** during the execution of that application **564a**.

The multi-display management module **524** thereafter, while the application **564a** is executing, can determine if there has been a configuration change to the device **100**, in step **1032**. The configuration change may be an event (see FIGS. **3A** and **3B**) triggered by one or more signals from one or more hardware sensor **172**, **176**, etc. For example, if the device **100** is changed from portrait **304** to landscape **340** orientation, Hall effect sensors **172** may indicate to the framework **520** that a display configuration change has been made. Other changes may include transitions from a single display **304** to a dual display configuration **320**, by opening the device. Other types of configuration changes may be possible and may be signaled to alert the multi-display management module **524** of the configuration change. If a configuration change has been made, the method **1000** proceeds YES to step **1020** so that the multi-display management module **524** can determine new application display mode settings and create a new display binding, which may be passed to the application **564a**. If there are no configuration changes, the method **1000** precedes NO to step **1036**.

In step **1036**, a new application mode change may be determined. Application mode changes can also occur in the application **564a**, and thus, the application **564a** can determine if something has occurred within the application **564a** that requires a different display setting. Modes are described hereinafter with respect to FIG. **12**. The mode change can create a desire to change the display **110/114**, and thus, require the application **564a** to generate a new manifest. If the application **564a** does sense a mode change or an event has occurred that requires a change in display setting, the method **1000** proceeds YES back to step **1012**. At step **1012**, a new manifest or preference is created by the application **564a** that may be received by the multi-display management module **524** to determine if the multi-display management module **524** can change the display binding. If it is possible to provide the preferred display, the multi-display management module **524** can create a new display binding and send display binding back to the application **564a** and allow the application **564a** to alter its user interface. If no mode change is sensed or an event is not received to create a mode change, the method **1000** proceeds NO to end operation **1040**.

An example of an image capture feature or application **1100** is shown in FIG. **11**. An image capture feature **1100** can acquire static images, such as pictures, and/or dynamic images, such as videos. The image capture feature **1100** can be displayed on one or more screens **110**, **114** of the device **100**. The image capture feature **1100** may have one or more user selectable buttons or icons. For example, selectable icon **1104** may be touched to zoom into an image or to do some other function. A field **1108**, within an image capture window **1116**, can display a preview of the image that the user desires to capture. A menu or control bar **1112** can include one or more user selectable icons or buttons to provide different functionality to the image capture feature **1100**. For example, button and slide bar **1124** allow the user to switch from capturing pictures to capturing video. User selectable device **1128**, when selected, begins the image acquisition whether the image is a picture or a video. Further, a gallery **1120**, showing thumbnails of previously captured pictures or videos, may be provided on the control bar **1112**. Other buttons, such as user selectable button or icon **1132**, allows the user to switch between image capture modes, as discussed herein, such as the forward facing or rear facing image capture modes.

In a dual screen portrait orientation, as shown in FIG. **12**, the image capture feature **1100** may include a first display **1200** and a second display **1204**. The first display **1200** may be similar or the same as that described in FIG. **11**. A second screen **1204** might provide a gallery of recently acquired images. For example, an thumbnail or other display feature **1208** may represent one of the recently acquired videos or images. A set of one or more user selectable icons **1212** allow the user to conduct functions on the image or image representation **1208**.

The display **1204** may be navigable as it may be slid or be moved, with user interface input, to view or select other images. The number of images displayed within the user navigable display **1204** may be limited. There may be only a select number of images that can be displayed or selected by the user in display **1204**. To view other images not currently shown, the user may need to navigate within the display **1204** or select a gallery function. A gallery function may be provided to view all images that have been acquired by the image capture function **1100**, as described hereinafter.

An embodiment of a method **1300** for executing an application is shown in FIG. **13**. While a general order for the steps of the method **1300** is shown in FIG. **13**. Generally, the method **1300** starts with a start operation **1304** and ends with an end operation **1332**. The method **1300** can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. **13**. The method **1300** can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method **1300** shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. **1-16B**.

In a first device configuration, the device **100** may have a first screen **110** and a second screen **114** and the device **100** may be in a closed state as described herein. In this closed state, the first and second screens **110**, **114** may face opposite directions. In a first display mode, a first window may be provided or presented on a first screen **110**. While in this mode, the device **100** may receive an input from a user. The input received can request the execution of image capture function **1100**, in step **1308**. The device **100** can determine an image capture function **1100** configuration based on the devices state and display mode, in step **1312**. The device **100**

can determine a devices orientation, in step **1316**, a device state, in step **1320**, and a device image capture mode, in step **1324**. Based on the determined orientation, state, and image capture mode, the device **100** may enter an image capture mode that is presented to the user, in step **1328**.

At some time thereafter, while remaining in the image capture mode, the device **100** may receive an orientation change. The orientation change can include a rotation of the device **100**, the device **100** moving from a closed state to an open state, or from an open state to a closed state. The rotation of the device **100** may be from portrait to landscape or from landscape to portrait, or the device **100** may be flipped such that the screens face different directions from their original configuration. When received, and based on the new orientation, the device **100** may present a new image capture mode by providing a different type of display for the image capture function **1100** **1110**. A least a portion of the first and/or second screen **110**, **114** change from the original display to the new display.

A first set of modes is shown in FIGS. **14A** through **16B**. In FIGS. **14A** through **16B**, the device **100** is in a closed state and landscape orientation. The image capture mode **1400** is to capture an outward facing image (e.g. a scene in front of the user). Further, while in the outward facing image mode, three or more different configurations for the image capture feature **1100** may be presented.

For example, as shown in FIG. **14A**, the second screen **114**, facing the user, shows a preview **1404** in the window **114**. The control bar **1112** is arranged vertically along the right side of the display window **1100**. The first screen **110**, which faces the scene to be captured in the image, is shown in FIG. **14B**. The second display **1408** is disabled and is not displaying anything. As such, display **1408** is is blank in this configuration and is viewed as a black screen by anyone in front of the user.

In a second configuration **1500** shown in FIGS. **15A** and **15B**, the preview **1404** is again shown in screen **114**. In contrast to FIG. **14B**, an image **1504** is displayed in the first screen **110**, as shown in FIG. **15B**. The first screen **110** shows an image that looks like a camera lens to anyone in front of the user. Thus, the party in the scene to be captured is presented with a visual indicia that indicates a picture or image is being taken.

Still another configuration is presented in FIGS. **16A** and **16B**. In FIG. **16A**, a second screen **114** again shows the preview **1404** as described in FIGS. **14A** and **15A**. However, the first screen **110** also displays a preview **1604** to the party in the scene to be captured. As such, the preview is displayed both on the first screen **110** and the second screen **114**. This configuration allows the party who is having their image taken to preview or see what image is being captured.

These different outward facing configurations allow the user to select different functions that are best suited for the image being captured. For example, the dual preview screens presented in FIGS. **16A** and **16B** allow a user to provide a camera to a third party and still preview the image although they may not be taking the picture.

An embodiment of a method **1700** for executing an application is shown in FIG. **17**. While a general order for the steps of the method **1700** is shown in FIG. **17**. Generally, the method **1700** starts with a start operation **1704** and ends with an end operation **1732**. The method **1700** can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. **17**. The method **1700** can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method **1700**

shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. 1-18.

A next mode available with the image capture function **1100** may be a self-portrait mode. Similar to the method described in conjunction with FIG. 13, the device **100** may receive user input to execute an image capture function **1100**, in step **1708**. The input may be received in a device **100** that has at least the first screen **110** and second screen **114**. The device **100** may then make one or more determinations. For example, the device **100** may determine an image capture function **1100** configuration, in step **1712**. The image capture function **1100** configuration may be a self-portrait mode. Further, the device **100** may determine the devices orientation, in step **1716**, as described herein. The device **100** may also determine a devices state, in step **1720**. From these different determinations the device **100** may then determine that the image capture mode is for a self-portrait, in step **1724**. Based on the determination that the device is un a self-portrait mode, the device **100** may enter the self-portrait configuration, in step **1728**.

An example of a self-portrait configuration **1800** is as shown in FIG. 18. The device **100** configuration **1800** may provide a preview screen **1804**. To limit the amount of hardware provided with the device **100**, there may be a single lens or other hardware used to capture the image, as shown in FIGS. 1A-1J. As shown in FIG. 11, the lens **1136** is associated with the first screen **110**. Thus, to accomplish a self-portrait, the first screen **110** must face the user. This device orientation is in contrast to what is shown in FIGS. 14A through 16B where the lens faces away from the user to attain an outward facing image. Further, the device **100** may be in the closed state in landscape orientation such that the lens associated with the screen is pointing towards the user.

The other screen **114** may be disabled. Thus, the second screen **114** cannot receive user input while the device is a self-portrait mode. Prohibiting user input on the second screen **114** prevents inadvertent interfere with the capture of the self-portrait. Thus, the preview **1804** and all the controls **1112** for capturing the self-image are facing the user while nothing is displayed away from the user. The control bar **1112** is also provided in the single screen **110** with the preview **1804**. Thus, the device **100** may allow for the user to enter user interface input while in the self-portrait mode with the screen **110** facing the user, as shown in FIG. 18.

It should be noted that to switch between the different modes as described in FIGS. 13 through 18, different user interfaces inputs may be received. For example, the user interface input to change the display on the outward facing screen, as shown in FIGS. 14A through 16B, may include one or more inputs or gestures into a gesture capture region **120**, **124**, as described herein. For example, the input can be two or more taps in the gesture capture region **120**, **124** to change the display on the outward facing screen **110**. Alternatively, the taps may be to switch from an outward facing image to a self-portrait. The taps or the sequence of taps may cause the device **100** to present other user interfaces or windows that allow the user to acknowledge a desire to switch to the other screen or change the configuration of the device **100**.

The user may then select an icon or user selectable device, within the presented window, to switch to the desired configuration where the device **100** will execute a change of the displays in response to the selection of the icon. The user may also select a second user interface device in the presented window, to cancel the switch in the configuration, and thus, acknowledge that the taps or user interface input may be inadvertent.

Input may also be received outside the gesture capture region **120**, **124** that can request a switch to a second screen **114** or change a display. The gesture capture region **120**, **124** may be on a first screen **110** and/or a second screen **114**, as described herein. The change of displays may also include a determination of the state of the phone, such that, the state of the phone may provide different display configurations for the image capture function **1100**. One of the device state changes, which may cause a different display configuration, is a switch from a single screen view, as shown in FIG. 11, to a dual screen view, as shown in FIG. 12.

An embodiment of a method **1900** for executing an application is shown in FIG. 19. While a general order for the steps of the method **1900** is shown in FIG. 19. Generally, the method **1900** starts with a start operation **1904** and ends with an end operation **1932**. The method **1900** can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. 19. The method **1900** can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method **1900** shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. 1-20.

The device **100** may receive user input to execute the image capture function **1100**, in step **1908**. The device **100** can have at least a first screen **110** and second screen **114** and execute the image capture function **1100** upon receiving the user input. In order to determine how to display the image capture function **1100** in the device **100**, the device **100** may determine an image capture function **1100** mode, in step **1912**. The image capture function **1100** mode **1100** can be such items as self-portrait mode, outward facing mode, or other types of modes.

The device **100** may also determine a device orientation, in step **1916**. The devices orientation may be portrait, landscape, or other types of device configurations. The device **100** may also determine a device state, in step **1920**. The device state may include whether the device **100** is opened or closed or other types of orientations. The device orientation and state are described further herein. Through these different determinations, the device **100** may determine that the image capture mode is for a dual screen configuration, in step **1924**. Upon determining that the image capture mode is a dual screen configuration, the device **100** may enter the dual screen configuration, in step **1928**.

While in the dual screen configuration, the device **100** is in an open state and may be in a landscape or portrait orientation. An example of the dual screen portrait orientation is shown in FIG. 12. An example of the dual screen landscape orientation **2000** is shown in FIG. 20. The lens **168** may be associated with either a first or second screen **110**, **114** but, as an example, is shown only associated with the first screen **110**, in FIG. 20.

While in the dual screen orientation, the image capture function **1100** presents an inward facing image **2004** and may be in a self-portrait mode. A first screen **110** may display a preview **2004** of the image to be acquired in the self-portrait mode. The second screen **114** may provide for a film roll **1204** that displays one or more previously acquired images. The second screen **114** may provide a display for a last image acquired. Thus, instead of a film roll **2008**, the second display **114** may provide for an image displayed across the entire second screen **114**. In still other configurations, a preview of an image to be acquired may be presented across both the first and second screens **110**, **114**, such that the image is larger than what is normally shown in the a single screen view.

An embodiment of a method **2100** for executing an application is shown in FIG. **21**. While a general order for the steps of the method **2100** is shown in FIG. **21**. Generally, the method **2100** starts with a start operation **2104** and ends with an end operation **2124**. The method **2100** can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. **21**. The method **2100** can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method **2100** shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. **1-20**.

While in the dual screen mode, device orientation changes may be received. For example, the dual screen orientation as shown in FIG. **12** may change to that shown in FIG. **20** when the device **100** is rotated either clockwise or counterclockwise. Thus, the device **100** may receive a user input to execute an image capture function **1100**, in step **2108**. A first display **1200** may be presented for the image capture function **1100**, in step **2112**, as described hereinbefore in FIGS. **13** through **19**. After presenting the first display **1200** for the image capture function **1100**, the device **100** may receive a rotation of the device **100**, in step **2116**. In response to the rotation of the device **100**, the device **100** may present a second display **2000** for the image capture function **1100** that is different from the first display **1200**, in step **2120**.

The image capturing function may be configured to be in a dual screen orientation capturing an inward facing image, as shown in FIG. **12**. Thus, the device **100** is in an open state and the first display **1200** is in a portrait orientation. With the rotation, the display can change to a landscape orientation **2000**, as shown in FIG. **20**. One or more portions of the display may change due to the rotation. For example, the preview image **1108**, shown in FIG. **12**, changes to a landscape orientation **2004**, shown in FIG. **20**.

Likewise, the film roll **1204**, shown in FIG. **12**, changes to a landscape orientation **2008**, shown in FIG. **20**. As the film roll **1204**, **2008** is navigable, the film roll **2008** may now move horizontally rather than vertically along the long axis of the screen **114**, thus the film roll **2008** changes movement from a vertical orientation to a horizontal orientation. Further, the images within the film roll **2008** may change from a portrait orientation to a landscape orientation.

Unlike the preview **1200** or the film roll **1204**, the camera controls shown in the control area **1112** may be in a fixed position, as shown in FIG. **20**. The image preview **2004** may remain in the first screen **110** while changing the device's orientation during the rotation of the device **100**. Thus, the device **100** can change the look and feel of the dual screen display when the device **100** is rotated from a portrait orientation shown in FIG. **12** to a landscape orientation of FIG. **20**. It should be noted too that the device **100** may be rotated back to the portrait orientation in FIG. **12**, where the changes are reversed and the display is as shown in FIG. **12**.

An embodiment of a method **2200** for executing an application is shown in FIG. **22**. While a general order for the steps of the method **2200** is shown in FIG. **22**. Generally, the method **2200** starts with a start operation **2204** and ends with an end operation **2224**. The method **2200** can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. **22**. The method **2200** can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method **2200** shall be explained with reference to the systems, components,

modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. **1-21**.

The method **2200** begins by providing a device **100** having at least a first screen **110** and second screen **114**. The device **100** can be as described in conjunction with FIG. **1A** through FIG. **10**. The device **100**, through a user interface input or other input, can receive a directive or request to execute a gallery function, in step **2208**.

A gallery **3000** may be as shown in FIG. **30**. A gallery **3000** is any type of user interface that allows a user to manage, view, select, delete, or do other functions with images captured or stored on the device **100**. A gallery **3000** can contain one or more thumbnail images **3004** in a display. A thumbnail can be any representation of an image stored or captured by the device **100** that is presented in a smaller form or size. An image can be a picture or video. A thumbnail for a video may be created from a single frame of the video.

The device **100** can receive a first input to execute a full screen view of an image, in step **2212**. For example, a user may view an image **2304** selected in a gallery **3000** as shown in FIG. **23**. This image **2304** may be shown with one or more different controls, icons, or user interface devices **2308**. The user may select one of the user interface devices **2312** to view the image as a full screen image. Upon receiving the input the device **100** may then show the image **2304** in a full screen as shown in FIG. **24**. Here, the image **2304** spans the entire width or the entire height of the available screen **110**. One or more user icons may also be shown **2408** that allow the user to manage the image **2304** or exit the full screen view.

Thereinafter, a second input may be received by the device **100** that changes the state of the device **100** from a closed state to an open state, in step **2216**. For example, the device **100** may go from a view as shown in FIG. **24** to that shown in FIG. **25**. As shown in FIG. **25**, the device **100** is now in an open state where both screens **110**, **114** are viewed. In response to the change from the closed state to the open state, the device **100** may then display the image **2304** in at least a portion of the first screen **110** and at least a portion of the second screen **114**, in step **2220**. For example, image **2304** has expanded to cover both the screen **110** and the screen **114**. Thus, a change in state for the device **100**, while viewing an image **2304** in full screen, allows the user to use both screens **110**, **114** to better see a larger more detailed image. The change in the state the device **100** increases the size of the image to expand into a view that covers at least a portion of the first screen **110** and second screen **114**.

As shown in FIGS. **24** and **25**, the device **100** can be in a landscape orientation when viewing the image **2304**, and the second input opens the device **100** into a dual screen landscape orientation. It should be noted that the device **100** may be in a portrait orientation when opened, and the device **100** state can be changed to a dual screen portrait orientation. In some instances, a portion of the image that was not displayed while in the closed state may be displayed in the dual screen landscape/portrait orientation. When in a dual screen landscape orientation, the image **2304** may be centered across the first screen **110** and second screen **114**, such that the image **2304** is displayed in the middle of the display area horizontally and/or vertically.

As explained earlier, the device **100** may be in a portrait orientation when in a closed state, and the second input that opens the device **100** changes the device orientation to a dual screen portrait orientation. For example, FIG. **26** may provide a display that shows an image **2604** stored in a gallery **3000**. A user may select a user interface device **2608** to view the

image 2604 on a full screen. Upon selecting that input, the user may be presented with the display 2704 shown in FIG. 27.

After viewing this image 2704 in the full screen, the user may then open the device 100 and change the orientation of the device 100 from a closed portrait orientation to a dual screen portrait orientation as shown in FIG. 28. Similar to the dual screen landscape orientation at least a portion of the image 2704 may be displayed in the dual screen portrait orientation that was not shown when the device 100 was in the closed state. For example, a bottom portion 2808 of the image shown in FIG. 28 is not shown in FIG. 27 in the portion 2708.

Upon receiving the first input to display the image 2704 in a full screen the gallery 3000 may provide one or more user selectable icons 2712 and 2716 associated with the gallery function to allow the user to manage the image 2704 displayed in the full screen. When the second input is received and in response to the second input, the display of the user selectable icons 2712 and 2716 may change position. For example, icons 2712 and 2716 are displayed at a bottom right hand corner of a first display 110 in FIG. 27. Upon changing the device 100 configuration to the open state, the user selectable icons 2712 and 2716 are moved to a bottom right hand portion of a second screen 114 in the full screen view of the image. This change may also be shown or seen when going from the landscape closed state to the dual screen landscape orientation. In embodiments, the screen or display size may not cover an entire display area. For example, image 2704 may not expand into display areas 2820 or 2824.

An embodiment of a method 2900 for executing an application is shown in FIG. 29. While a general order for the steps of the method 2900 is shown in FIG. 29. Generally, the method 2900 starts with a start operation 2904 and ends with an end operation 2916. The method 2900 can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. 29. The method 2900 can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method 2900 shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. 1-28.

Method 2900 may also begin by providing a device 100 that has a first screen 110 and a second screen 114. The device 100 may be in a landscape dual screen orientation, as shown in FIG. 30. The device 100 may receive a first input to execute a gallery function, in step 2908. The input can be a user interface input received from a user or some other directive from an application executing on the device 100. For example, an e-mail program that desires to download an image into an e-mail may send a directive to open a gallery 3000 that allows the user to select a picture from the gallery 3000 to put in an e-mail. In response to the first input, a gallery 3000 may be displayed over at least a portion of the first screen 110 and at least a portion of the second screen 114, in step 2912.

An example of the gallery 3000 is shown in FIG. 30. The gallery 3000 is displayed across or at least in a portion of first screen 110 and a second screen 114. This allows the thumbnails 3004, to have a larger area to be displayed. Further, the gallery 3000 may be able to display more thumbnails 3004 within the space provided by extending the gallery 3000 over the first screen 110 and the second screen 114.

The gallery 3000 can include a first section 3012 and a second section 3016. The first section 3012 of the gallery 3000 may display one or more albums 3020 and 3024. An album is a collection of images associated with each other

and/or stored as a group. The albums may be selected to filter the number of images shown in the second section 3016.

The first section 3012 of the gallery 3000 is navigable. In other words, the user may have more albums available than can be shown in the first section 3012. Thus, the user can scroll or move the display to view other albums not shown presently on the display. For example, the user may use a drag function by dragging their finger across the first section 3012 to move or scroll the first section 3012 of the gallery 3000.

The second section 3016 can provide a grid that displays one or more image thumbnails 3004 that are associated with images in either an album 3020, 3024 or in the gallery 3000. An image thumbnail 3004 is a representation of an image that may be smaller than the original image. For example, image thumbnails 3004 can be a smaller version of the actual image stored in the device 100. The thumbnail 3004 allows the user to see a preview of the image and manage the image by knowing what was in the image file.

The second portion 3016 of the gallery 3000 may be viewed or displayed across a portion of the first screen 110 and the second screen 114. Thus, the grid can use substantially all available display space below or next to the first section 3012. Like the first section 3012, the second section 3016 may also be navigable. As more images may be stored in the device 100 than are able to be displayed within the available display space of the second section 3016, the grid may be moved or scrolled using user interface inputs similar to those explained in association with section 3012.

The gallery 3000 may also include an action bar 3028 that can include one or more user selectable icons for executing one or more functions associated with the gallery 3000. For example, user selectable icon 3032 may allow the user to share an image selected within the gallery 3000 through another application, such as Twitter, e-mail, or other social media application. As a further example, user selectable icon 3036 may be selected to delete or erase an image selected within the gallery 3000.

In selecting an album in the first section 3012, the display grid in the second section 3016 may change which images are displayed in the grid. Alternatively, the display may change how the images are displayed. Regardless, when selecting an album 3020, 3024, the device 100 may change how the gallery functions or provides information to the user. For example, as shown in FIG. 31, the gallery 3000 has an album 3020 selected. Upon selecting the album 3020, the first section 3012 may be darkened. Further, the second section 3016 may be shown with one or more images 3104 having a checkmark. The checkmark may be an indication that that image(s) is associated with the album 3020 selected in the first section 3012. Alternatively, only the images that are associated with the album are shown in the grid in the second section 3016. Thus, the device 100 may receive a selection of an album 3020 in the first section 3012. In response to the selection of the album, the device 100 can change the display of the grid to include one or more images associated with the album. Images not associated with the album may not be displayed in the grid.

An embodiment of a method 3200 for executing an application is shown in FIG. 32. While a general order for the steps of the method 3200 is shown in FIG. 32. Generally, the method 3200 starts with a start operation 3204 and ends with an end operation 3224. The method 3200 can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. 32. The method 3200 can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method 3200

shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. 1-31.

Method **3200** also provides for a device **100** with a first screen **110** and second screen **114**. The device **100** may be in a landscape dual screen orientation. The device **100** may receive a first input to execute a gallery function, in step **3208**. In response to the first input, the device **100** can display the gallery **3000** across at least a portion of the first screen **110** and at least a portion of the second screen **114**, in step **3212**.

Thereinafter, the device **100** can receive a selection of an album in the gallery **3000**, in step **3216**, as described in conjunction with FIGS. **29** through **31**. In response to the selection of the album, the device **100** can display a new first section containing images of the album within the new gallery display **3300**, in step **3220**. For example, the gallery **3300** may present a new view for images, as shown in FIG. **33**. This new view contains a first section **3308** containing images that are associated with the selected album. For example, image **3312** and **3316** may be included as part of the album "Madagascar" **3332** represented or indicated by banner **3320**.

Upon selection of the album **3332**, a first image **3336** or an image contained within the album may be shown in the second section **3324** of the display. For example, image **3336** is an image contained within the album Madagascar **3332** and is shown as selected by the visual indicia surrounding thumbnail **3332**. The first section **3308** may be displayed on a first screen **110** while the second section **3324** is displayed on a portion of the first screen **110** and the second screen **114**. The first section **3308** may be navigable as described in conjunction with FIGS. **29** through **31**. As there may be more images within the album than can be displayed in the first section **3308**, the first section **3308** may be scrollable or movable to view other thumbnails within the album.

The second section **3324** of the album display may display only a single image. The image displayed in the second section **3324** may be associated with the thumbnail **3332** in the first section **3308**. When the image thumbnail **3332** in the first section **3308** is selected, the related image **3336** may be displayed in the second section **3324**. Further, highlighting or a highlighted box or other visual indicia may be included with the thumbnail **3332** as shown in the first section **3308**. For example, thumbnail **3328** includes a box surrounding the image indicating it has been selected for display in second section **3324**.

The method **3200** can continue with the reception of a second selection of a second thumbnail in the first section **3308** of the albums displayed in the view **3324**. The device **100** may receive the selection of the thumbnail, in step **3224**. In response to the received selection of a thumbnail in section **3308**, the device **100** may display a second image associated with the second thumbnail in the second section **3224**, in step **3228**.

The image selected in the album may be a video. A second input may be received that selects the video from section **3308**. The selection may then display an initial screen for the video in section **3324**. Further, in response to the second input or selection, one or more video controls may be displayed in the second section **3324**. For example, video controls may be as described in conjunction with FIG. **38**.

Another example of the album display **3300** is shown in FIG. **34**. In this example, the second section **3324** may be kept on a second screen **114** and the first section **3308** may be kept on a first screen **110**. Thus, the image **3326** may not be displayed across the seam **3404** of the device **100**. This way the seam **3404** will not dissect the displayed image **3336** and make the image harder to view.

An embodiment of a method **3500** for executing an application is shown in FIG. **35**. While a general order for the steps of the method **3500** is shown in FIG. **35**. Generally, the method **3500** starts with a start operation **3504** and ends with an end operation **3524**. The method **3500** can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. **35**. The method **3500** can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method **3500** shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. **1-34**.

In method **3500**, a device **100** is provided that has at least the first screen **110** and second screen **114**, as described in conjunction with FIG. **1B** through FIG. **10**. The device **100** may receive a first input to the device **100** to execute a first application, in step **3508**. The first application may be any application executed by the device **100**. The application may receive a second input, in step **3512**. In response to the second input, the first application may request that a picker service **3600** be executed, in step **3516**. The picker service **3600** is a special feature of the gallery function that allows a user to select images or videos from the gallery **3000** to be input into the first application. An example of the picker service **3600** is shown in FIG. **36**. The picker service **3600** can display a gallery **3000** of thumbnails **3604** in at least a portion of the first screen **110** and at least a portion of the second screen **114**, in step **3520**.

As shown in FIG. **36**, the picker service **3600** is indicated by the banner **3616** which contains the word pick. The gallery in the picker service **3600** can have a first section **3608** and a second section **3612**. In the second section **3612**, the picker service **3600** gallery can display one or more thumbnails, for example thumbnail **3620** displayed in this section **3612**. The section **3612** may be displayed as a grid of one or more thumbnails associated with one or more images stored and provided in the gallery **3000**. The first section **3608** can display one or more thumbnails associated with one or more albums. As explained herein before, an album may be a logical structure that stores one or more images that are associated together.

In the picker service **3600**, the first section **3608** is displayed on a first screen **110** and is navigable. As explained herein before, the first section **3608** may contain one or more album indications **3624**, **3628**, however, may not be able to display representations of every album within the gallery **3000**. As such, the user may be able to navigate or scroll using different user interface inputs to select other albums not shown in a current view. The second section **3612** of the picker service **3600** may be displayed over at least a portion of the first screen **110** and at least a portion of the second screen **114**. This second section **3612** may also be navigable as all images associated with either an album or the gallery **3000** are not displayable within the limits of the display.

In the picker service **3600**, the device **100** may receive a selection of an album **3624** in the first section **3608**. In response to receiving this selection of an album, one or more thumbnails **3620** associated with the album **3624** may be displayed in the second section **3612**. Further, if a second selection of a second thumbnail **3628** in section **3608**, representing a second album, is received, the device **100** in response to the second selection, may display at least a second image associated with this second album **3628**. The second section **3612** may display a grid of images associated with the second album **3628**. However, as described in conjunction with

FIGS. 32 through 34, the second section 3612 may display a single image associated with the album.

The method 3500 may further allow for the selection of a thumbnail associated with an image shown in section 3612. The selection of a thumbnail 3620 is interpreted as the user picking that image associated with the thumbnail and the image is to be provided to the first application. As such, in response to the selection of an image, the device 100 automatically provides the image to the first application. The first application may then edit, manage, send, or do other functions to the image provided by the device 100.

An embodiment of a method 3700 for executing an application is shown in FIG. 37. While a general order for the steps of the method 3700 is shown in FIG. 37. Generally, the method 3700 starts with a start operation 3704 and ends with an end operation 3724. The method 3700 can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. 37. The method 3700 can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method 3700 shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. 1-36.

In method 3700, a device 100 may be presented with at least a first screen 110 and the second screen 114, as described in conjunction with FIG. 1A through FIG. 10. A first input may be received by the device 100, in step 3708. In response to the first input, the device 100 may execute a gallery function as described herein before. As the first input may be to execute a video or to play a video contained in the gallery 3000, the device 100 may execute a video player of the gallery function, in step 3716. The video player may then display a video across at least a portion of the first screen 110 and/or second screen 114, in step 3720. An example of the video player may be as shown in FIG. 38.

The first input may be received from an application already executing on the device 100. For example, an application such as a web browser may receive a selection to play a video. The video player of the gallery function may then be executed in response to a directive or indication sent from the application. After the video begins playing, the video gallery 3000 replaces the application display on the first screen 110 and the second screen 114 with the display of the video. Thus, the video player can be played across both the first screen 110 and the second screen 114, and the application, which was previously executing, is no longer seen. For example, the video player 3804 is playing on top of an application displayed previously that is currently under the display of the video player 3804.

In some instances, a second input may be received by the device 100 that opens another window over the top of the video player, such that the video player can no longer be seen. However, unlike other applications which may be suspended, the video player may continue to play the video. Thus, the video player may continue to provide audio output that can be heard by the user but the video output cannot be seen, as the second window is displayed over the top of the video player.

While a video is being played by the video player, the device 100 may prevent the device from timing out. For example, after a period of time of inactivity, a device 100 may time out and starts a power saving mode. In the power saving mode, the screens 110, 114 may be disabled and display nothing and other functions may be stopped. However, when playing a video, the video may prevent timeouts where the video may be stopped without activity. For example, the device 100 may receive a third input to enter a standby mode.

The standby mode may be a mode in which the device 100 does not display anything but is ready to receive input to begin executing again. However, with the video playing, the device 100 may continue to play the video even in standby mode. Thus, the device 100 can save power by entering a standby mode but till continue to play the video.

The device 100 can be docked and receive a fourth input that indicates that the device 100 is docked with an external display. The device 100 may then reroute audio and video from the device 100 to an external display in response to receiving input that the device 100 has docked. Further, the audio and video playback may be stopped on the device 100 if video is played to the external monitor.

The selection or input to play a video may also be a selection of a video within a gallery 3000. Thus, as explained previously in conjunction with FIGS. 22 through 36, the gallery 3000 can display an image representing a video stored in the gallery 3000. Upon selection of the thumbnail representing the video, the video player may be executed in the gallery function and play the video selected.

An embodiment of a method 3900 for executing an application is shown in FIG. 39. While a general order for the steps of the method 3900 is shown in FIG. 39. Generally, the method 3900 starts with a start operation 3904 and ends with an end operation 3932. The method 3900 can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. 39. The method 3900 can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method 3900 shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. 1-38.

In method 3900, the device 100 may be provided with a first screen 110 and a second screen 114. Input may be received, by the device 100, to execute a gallery function, in step 3908. The input may cause the device 100 to execute the gallery function, in step 3912. The input may be a selection in a gallery of a video to play or some other input to play a video, as such, the device 100 can execute a video player of the gallery function, in step 3916.

The device 100 then displays the video with the video player across at least a portion of the first screen 110 and/or at least a portion of the second screen 114, in step 3920. Thereinafter, while playing the video or while displaying the video player, the device 100 may determine that a connection has been made to an HDMI output, in step 3924. HDMI may be any high definition multimedia interface connection. This connection may be made from the device 100 to an external display either directly or through a port or docking station. Upon determining that a connection has been made to an HDMI output, the device 100 may provide a user selectable icon in the display to allow the user to send the video to the HDMI output, in step 3928.

For example, in FIG. 40, the video player 4004 may be displaying a video 4012. Upon receiving the HDMI connection and determining that the connection has been made, the device 100 may change the display to include icon 4008. The user selectable icon 4008 may be chosen by the user to send the video to the HDMI output. Thus, the device 100 may receive a selection of the user selectable icon 4008.

In response to receiving the selection of the user selective icon 4008, the device 100 may send the video to the HDMI output. Upon sending the video to the HDMI output, the video player may stop the video playback on the device 100. However, the video player may remain active on the device 100

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and control the display of the video on the external monitor that is receiving the video through the HDMI output.

For example, as shown in FIG. 41, video player 4004 remains active on the device 100 while the video 4112 is playing on an external monitor 4108 through a connection 4116 from the HDMI output of the device 100. The video player 4004 includes a control bar 4104 that can control the play of the video 4112 that is being displayed on the external monitor 4108. Thus, the video player 4004 continues to control the playback of the video 4112 although it is being displayed on an external monitor 4108. The display of the video player 4004, as shown in FIG. 41, provides a controller screen that allows the control of the video 4112 without actually displaying the video. The controller screen and more specifically the controller bar 4104 can still include the icon 4008.

The controller screen 4004 as shown on FIG. 41 can receive a second selection of the user selectable icon 4008. In response to receiving the selection of the icon 4008, the video player 4004 can stop the playback of the video 4112 over the HDMI output to the external monitor 4108. The device 100 may then replay the video or begin playing the video again on the display of the device 100.

The other controls in the control bar 4104 may execute other controls on the video as it is displayed on the external monitor 4108. For example, the device 100 can receive a selection of a zoom button or other buttons, such as button 4120, in the control screen 4004. The selection of the zoom button 4120 can change the display of the video 4112 on the external monitor 4108. Thus, beyond just playing and stopping the video 4112, the video controller 4004 can also change how the video is displayed on the external monitor 4108.

The HDMI connection may be disconnected or lost for various reasons. For example, the user may simply disconnect the device 100 from the HDMI output to leave or stop displaying the video on the external monitor 4108. The device 100 can determine that the HDMI connection is lost. Upon determining or in response to the HDMI connection being lost, the video player 4004 can stop the playback of the video over the HDMI output and replay the video on the device 100. Thus, the user need not select icon 4008 to begin playing the video on the device 100 but can simply disconnect the device 100 from the external monitor 4108. This process provides the user with more mobility and less input if they wish to leave.

An embodiment of a method 4200 for executing an application is shown in FIG. 42. While a general order for the steps of the method 4200 is shown in FIG. 42. Generally, the method 4200 starts with a start operation 4204 and ends with an end operation 4232. The method 4200 can include more or fewer steps or can arrange the order of the steps differently than those shown in FIG. 42. The method 4200 can be executed as a set of computer-executable instructions executed by a computer system and encoded or stored on a computer readable medium. Hereinafter, the method 4200 shall be explained with reference to the systems, components, modules, software, data structures, user interfaces, etc. described in conjunction with FIGS. 1-41.

In method 4200, a device 100 can also be provided that has at least a first screen 110 and a second screen 114. The device 100 can receive a first input to the device 100, in step 4208. The first input can be an input to execute a gallery function. The gallery function may be executed by the device 100, in step 4212. Further, the first input may also be a directive to display a video with the gallery function. Thus, the device 100 can execute a video player 4004 of the gallery function, in

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step 4216. The device 100 may then display the video with the video player 4004, in step 4220.

Thereinafter, the device 100 can receive an input to move the display of the video between a first screen 110 and second screen 114, as shown in FIGS. 43 through 44, in step 4224. The input can be a drag of a finger in the touch sensitive display 110, 114, as described hereinbefore, a flick in an gesture capture region 120, 124, or some other user input or gesture that attempts to manage the display screen shown on the device 100 in FIG. 43. For example, the user may attempt to move the window 4004 from screen 110 to screen 114. As the display 4004 is moved off of screen 110 and onto screen 114, the window 4004 or desktop underneath a display 4004 may be displayed, as shown in FIG. 44. Thus, desktop or window 4404 may become uncovered as the display 4304 is moved. Further, this window, on the second screen 114, for example, window 4308, may become obscured while the window 4004 is moving onto the second screen 114.

The display of a video on a device 100 is display and processor intensive. Thus, trying to move a display of a video while the video is being played becomes more intensive and may be too problematic for the two screen device 100. Thus, in order to show that the movement of the display is happening, the device 100 may display an icon or other visual indicia 4408 on the second screen 114 as the display is being moved. The device 100 displays the icon 4408 on the second screen 114 to intimate that the movement of the display 4304 is occurring, in step 4228.

The icon 4408 can be any kind of visual indicia, however, may appear to complete the display box or configuration on the second screen 114. During the movement, the device 100 may continue to display the video in the video window 4004 on the first screen 110. However, only the icon 4408 may be displayed on the second screen 114. The icon 4408 may not display video but rather provides some other static visual indicia that intimate movement of the display 4004. Further, the icon 4408 moves in conjunction with the second input movement. Thus, as the user drags their finger the icon 4408 moves in conjunction with the movement of the input. To the user, it appears that the icon 4408 is controlled by the input of the user.

During the movement and the display of the video, the display screen 4004 appears to move off the first screen 110. Upon the video being moved completely to the second screen 114 or because the user made enough of an indication of the movement, the display window 4004 may be expanded onto the second window 114 where the display of the video is contained completely on the second screen 114. In other words, the user need not make a complete movement gesture but enough for the device 100 to understand the movement should be completed.

The use of the video icon may not occur in some situations while expanding the video. For example, the device 100 can determine that the movement is an expansion of the display 4004 to cover both the first screen 110 the second screen 114 in a full screen mode. Upon determining that the movement is an expansion, the device 100 can expand the display 4004 across both screens 110 and 114, as shown in FIG. 45. During the expansion of the video, the video may remain or continue to be displayed during the expansion. Thus, as this display screen 4004 expands into the second screen 114, the video may be played on the first screen 110 and a portion of the second screen 114 until the video is fully expanded, as shown in FIG. 45. No icon is shown during the expansion of the video rather the video remains in single window, which displays the video.

Furthermore, while the exemplary aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations illustrated herein show the various components of the system collocated, certain components of the system can be located remotely, at distant portions of a distributed network, such as a LAN and/or the Internet, or within a dedicated system. Thus, it should be appreciated, that the components of the system can be combined in to one or more devices, such as a tablet-like device, or collocated on a particular node of a distributed network, such as an analog and/or digital telecommunications network, a packet-switch network, or a circuit-switched network. It will be appreciated from the preceding description, and for reasons of computational efficiency, that the components of the system can be arranged at any location within a distributed network of components without affecting the operation of the system. For example, the various components can be located in a switch such as a PBX and media server, gateway, in one or more communications devices, at one or more users' premises, or some combination thereof. Similarly, one or more functional portions of the system could be distributed between a telecommunications device(s) and an associated computing device.

Furthermore, it should be appreciated that the various links connecting the elements can be wired or wireless links, or any combination thereof, or any other known or later developed element(s) that is capable of supplying and/or communicating data to and from the connected elements. These wired or wireless links can also be secure links and may be capable of communicating encrypted information. Transmission media used as links, for example, can be any suitable carrier for electrical signals, including coaxial cables, copper wire and fiber optics, and may take the form of acoustic or light waves, such as those generated during radio-wave and infra-red data communications.

Also, while the flowcharts have been discussed and illustrated in relation to a particular sequence of events, it should be appreciated that changes, additions, and omissions to this sequence can occur without materially affecting the operation of the disclosed embodiments, configuration, and aspects.

In yet another embodiment, the systems and methods of this disclosure can be implemented in conjunction with a special purpose computer, a programmed microprocessor or microcontroller and peripheral integrated circuit element(s), an ASIC or other integrated circuit, a digital signal processor, a hard-wired electronic or logic circuit such as discrete element circuit, a programmable logic device or gate array such as PLD, PLA, FPGA, PAL, special purpose computer, any comparable means, or the like. In general, any device(s) or means capable of implementing the methodology illustrated herein can be used to implement the various aspects of this disclosure. Exemplary hardware that can be used for the disclosed embodiments, configurations and aspects includes computers, handheld devices, telephones (e.g., cellular, Internet enabled, digital, analog, hybrids, and others), and other hardware known in the art. Some of these devices include processors (e.g., a single or multiple microprocessors), memory, nonvolatile storage, input devices, and output devices. Furthermore, alternative software implementations including, but not limited to, distributed processing or component/object distributed processing, parallel processing, or virtual machine processing can also be constructed to implement the methods described herein.

In yet another embodiment, the disclosed methods may be readily implemented in conjunction with software using object or object-oriented software development environments that provide portable source code that can be used on a variety of computer or workstation platforms. Alternatively,

the disclosed system may be implemented partially or fully in hardware using standard logic circuits or VLSI design. Whether software or hardware is used to implement the systems in accordance with this disclosure is dependent on the speed and/or efficiency requirements of the system, the particular function, and the particular software or hardware systems or microprocessor or microcomputer systems being utilized.

In yet another embodiment, the disclosed methods may be partially implemented in software that can be stored on a storage medium, executed on programmed general-purpose computer with the cooperation of a controller and memory, a special purpose computer, a microprocessor, or the like. In these instances, the systems and methods of this disclosure can be implemented as program embedded on personal computer such as an applet, JAVA® or CGI script, as a resource residing on a server or computer workstation, as a routine embedded in a dedicated measurement system, system component, or the like. The system can also be implemented by physically incorporating the system and/or method into a software and/or hardware system.

Although the present disclosure describes components and functions implemented in the aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations with reference to particular standards and protocols, the aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations are not limited to such standards and protocols. Other similar standards and protocols not mentioned herein are in existence and are considered to be included in the present disclosure. Moreover, the standards and protocols mentioned herein and other similar standards and protocols not mentioned herein are periodically superseded by faster or more effective equivalents having essentially the same functions. Such replacement standards and protocols having the same functions are considered equivalents included in the present disclosure.

The present disclosure, in various aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations, includes components, methods, processes, systems and/or apparatus substantially as depicted and described herein, including various aspects, embodiments, configurations, embodiments, subcombinations, and/or subsets thereof. Those of skill in the art will understand how to make and use the disclosed aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations after understanding the present disclosure. The present disclosure, in various aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations, includes providing devices and processes in the absence of items not depicted and/or described herein or in various aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations hereof, including in the absence of such items as may have been used in previous devices or processes, e.g., for improving performance, achieving ease and/or reducing cost of implementation.

The foregoing discussion has been presented for purposes of illustration and description. The foregoing is not intended to limit the disclosure to the form or forms disclosed herein. In the foregoing Detailed Description for example, various features of the disclosure are grouped together in one or more aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations for the purpose of streamlining the disclosure. The features of the aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations of the disclosure may be combined in alternate aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations other than those discussed above. This method of disclosure is not to be interpreted as reflecting an intention that the claims require more features than are expressly recited in each claim. Rather, as the following claims reflect, inventive aspects lie in less than all features of a single foregoing disclosed aspect, embodiment, and/or configuration. Thus, the following claims are hereby incorporated into this

Detailed Description, with each claim standing on its own as a separate preferred embodiment of the disclosure.

Moreover, though the description has included description of one or more aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations and certain variations and modifications, other variations, combinations, and modifications are within the scope of the disclosure, e.g., as may be within the skill and knowledge of those in the art, after understanding the present disclosure. It is intended to obtain rights which include alternative aspects, embodiments, and/or configurations to the extent permitted, including alternate, interchangeable and/or equivalent structures, functions, ranges or steps to those claimed, whether or not such alternate, interchangeable and/or equivalent structures, functions, ranges or steps are disclosed herein, and without intending to publicly dedicate any patentable subject matter.

What is claimed is:

1. A method, comprising:
 - providing a portable communication device having a first and a second touch screen that are physically connected by a hinge, wherein the portable communication device is initially in a landscape dual screen orientation with the first touch screen above the second touch screen;
 - receiving a first input to the portable communication device, wherein the first input executes a gallery function;
 - in response to the first input, displaying a gallery across at least a portion of the first touch screen and at least a portion of the second touch screen, wherein one or more albums are displayed in a first section of the gallery, and wherein the one or more albums are navigable;
 - displaying a grid of one or more image thumbnails in a second section of the gallery, wherein the one or more image thumbnails are navigable, wherein the grid of the one or more image thumbnails and the one or more albums are independently navigable, wherein the first section of the gallery is displayed on the first touch screen display, and wherein the second section is displayed in at least a portion of the first touch screen and at least a portion of the second touch screen; and
 - adapting the gallery function to a different device configuration based on a change in a device state of the portable communication device, wherein the change in the device state includes at least one of a docked state, an easel state, and a modified easel state.
2. The method of claim 1, wherein the gallery includes an action bar comprising one or more user selectable icons for executing one or more functions in the gallery.
3. The method of claim 2, further comprising receiving a selection of an album in the first section.
4. The method of claim 3, further comprising, in response to the selection of the album, changing the display of the grid to include one or more images associated with the album.
5. A portable communication device, comprising:
 - a first screen, the first screen including a first gesture capture region;
 - a second screen, wherein the first screen and the second screen are physically connected by a hinge, wherein the portable communication device is initially in a landscape dual screen orientation with the first screen above the second screen, wherein the second screen faces an opposite direction from the first screen when the portable communication device is closed, and wherein an image capture lens is associated with the second screen;
 - a memory;
 - a processor in communication with the memory, the first screen, and the second screen, the processor operable to:

- receive a first input to the portable communication device, wherein the first input executes a gallery function;
 - in response to the first input, display a gallery across at least a portion of the first screen and at least a portion of the second screen, wherein one or more albums are displayed in a first section of the gallery, wherein the one or more albums are navigable;
 - display a grid of one or more image thumbnails in a second section of the gallery, wherein the one or more image thumbnails are navigable, and wherein the grid of the one or more image thumbnails and the one or more albums are independently navigable, wherein the first section of the gallery is displayed on the first touch screen display, and wherein the second section is displayed in at least a portion of the first touch screen and at least a portion of the second touch screen; and
 - adapt the gallery function to a different device configuration based on a change in a device state of the portable communication device, wherein the change in the device state includes at least one of a docked state, an easel state, and a modified easel state.
6. The portable communication device of claim 5, wherein the gallery includes an action bar comprising one or more user selectable icons for executing one or more functions in the gallery.
 7. The portable communication device of claim 6, further comprising:
 - receiving a selection of an album in the first section; and
 - in response to the selection of the album, changing the display of the grid to include one or more images associated with the album.
 8. A non-transitory computer readable medium having stored thereon computer-executable instructions, the computer executable instructions causing a processor of a portable communication device to execute a method for providing a user interface, the computer-executable instructions comprising:
 - instructions to receive a first input to the portable communication device, wherein the first input executes a gallery function;
 - in response to the first input, display the gallery across at least a portion of a first screen and at least a portion of a second screen, wherein the first and second screens are physically connected by a hinge, wherein the portable communication device is initially in a landscape dual screen orientation with the first screen above the second screen, wherein one or more albums are displayed in a first section of the gallery, wherein the one or more albums are navigable;
 - display a grid of one or more image thumbnails in a second section of the gallery, wherein the one or more image thumbnails are navigable, and wherein the grid of the one or more image thumbnails and the one or more albums are independently navigable, wherein the first section of the gallery is displayed on the first touch screen display, and wherein the second section is displayed in at least a portion of the first touch screen and at least a portion of the second touch screen; and
 - adapt the gallery function to a different device configuration based on a change in a device state of the portable communication device, wherein the change in the device state includes at least one of a docked state, an easel state and a modified easel state.

9. The non-transitory computer readable medium of claim 8, wherein the gallery includes an action bar comprising one or more user selectable icons for executing one or more functions in the gallery.

10. The non-transitory computer readable medium of claim 8, the processor further operable to:
receiving a selection of an album in the first section; and
in response to the selection of the album, changing the display of the grid to include one or more images associated with the album.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 5, column 49, line 65, after "a memory;" insert --and-- therein.

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